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WASHINGTON TELEGRAMS.

DEMOCRATS AND REPUBLICANS DISCUSSING THE TARIFF QUESTIONS.

Caucus on the Proposed Bill to Be Introduced By Mr. Randall—The Commerce Committee Receives a Protest From the New York Chamber of Commerce.

WASHINGTON, Dec 24—It would seem that the action taken by the Randall caucus does not meet with the approval of a great portion of the Democrats. Quite a number will insist that the proposed bill to be drafted by Mr Randall shall contain features dealing with the reduction of the tariff on several dutiable articles.

Mr Wilkins, of Ohio, who voted against the consideration of the Morrison bill, will oppose any measure dealing with internal revenue that does not also provide for certain reductions on the tariff Though representing the greatest wool district in the United States, he is in favor of placing the [illegible] class of carpet wool on the free list He entertains similar views on the subject of certain class s of lumber and salt, together with a reduction on steel rails. Mr Wilkins voices the sentiments of a large majority of Democrats, who would otherwise concur with Mr Randall on his reduction of internal revenue taxation

Another caucus will be held the first week in January, when it will be positively determined what kind of a bill shall be submitted. Mr Randall will be willing, if it is so desired by a majority of the party, to incorporate in the measure certain provisions for reduction of the tariff There is a report in circulation that the caucus committee of Republican senators, acting under the instruction of the caucus, will meet a similar committee representing the Republicans of the house some time during the holiday recess to consider a course of procedure with regard to the tariff

The commerce committee of the house is in receipt of a long communication from A Foster Higgins, secretary of the New York chamber of commerce, protesting against the action of the committee in expunging from the Miller bill the clause providing for the appointment of two civilians, one by the chamber of commerce, the other by the governor of New Jersey, to act with the three others from the war and navy departments and from the coast survey Mr Higgins likewise tells the committee that a serious error has been made in reducing the appropriation named in the bill from $30,000 to $20,000

Mr Higgins takes the position that as this commission is to pass on the question of the expenditure of about $11,000,000 for the improvement of the harbor the committee have not exercised good judgment in reducing the amount, while the future of the harbor very largely depends on the investigations of the commission as to where and how the large appropriations shall be best expended. Mr Higgins is also of the opinion that the bill should become a law, but will fail in its purpose if the chamber of commerce is not given a voice in the matter as that body is better prepared to know the wants and needs of the harbor than those who have been selected by the committee

Mr Higgins does not question the ability of the representatives of the government to carry out the proposed improvement, but he thinks that as the commercial bodies are the most interested in having a good harbor, they should have a representation on the commission As the bill provides a compensation of but $10 a day for the civilians, and they would meet but one day in the week, Mr Higgins argues that there could be no motive other than the harbor improvement for the chamber of commerce asking for a representation on the board

Important Land Decision.

WASHINGTON, Dec 24—In the case of Charles P Woodbury, administrator of James H Roby and the Ashland Town company involving certain lands in the Garden City land district of Kansas, Acting Secretary Muldrow has decided that under the act of May 28, 1880, the only qualification and condition required to authorize an entry upon the Osage Indian trust, and diminished reserve lands is that the claimant must be an actual settler on the land at the date of entry, and have the qualifications of a pre-emptor This overrules a decision of Secretary Teller, which held not only as above but in addition thereto the claimant that he had in effect complied with all the terms of the pre-emption law

A Christmas Gift From Cleveland.

WASHINGTON, Dec 24—Christmas clemency comes to several criminals, whom the president has pardoned John M Johnson, of the District of Columbia, convicted of manslaughter and sentenced in February, 1881 to ten years in the Albany penitentiary is one of them He will be released on Christmas day Another, James S Williams, [illegible] of Natchez convicted of perjury His pardon takes effect February 20, 1887 [illegible] and Simoosh, two Umatilla Indians convicted of killing a man in Oregon, and now in prison at Salem, Oregon, were [illegible] pardoned

Claim Disallowed

WASHINGTON, Dec 24—The first comptroller has disallowed the claim of Gen [illegible] for the refunding of the fees which he turned into the treasury while at Hong Kong, but afterwards concluded that he was entitled to retain

Placed on the Retired List.

WASHINGTON, Dec 24—Rear Admiral [illegible] has been placed on the retired list [illegible] with the highest pay of that [illegible]

Boat and Cargo of Cotton Sunk.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec 24—A special to the [illegible] from Shreveport, says "The [illegible] J [illegible] owned by the Red River [illegible] company and engaged in [illegible] yesterday struck an ob[illegible] Shreve's Grove seven miles [illegible] and sank Two roustabouts [illegible] The boat together with 300 bales [illegible] is a total loss

Bituminous Coal Pool.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 2—The bituminous coal men finally agreed upon a plan of [illegible] pool Percentages were fixed [illegible] will have to be ratified by a sub committee which was appointed and will report at a future meeting for ratification

IMPORTANT DECISION.

Judge Peckham Decides That the Broadway Railroad Law is Constitutional.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec 24.—Judge Peckham in his decision in the Broadway railroad case holds that the act dissolving the corporation was an effective exercise of legislative power and upon its passage the Broadway Surface Railroad company was dissolved. He also decides that the Broadway Railroad company has power to issue its bonds secured by mortgages on its property and franchises, including the right to run cars through Broadway for the purpose of completing or operating its road and all such franchises remain subject to the lien of such mortgage and the act providing for the sale of such franchises at auction and the payment of the purchase price thereof to the city of New York is invalid as against those holders of mortgage bonds who can enforce payment thereof The traffic agreements between the Broadway and Seventh Avenue railroad, the Broadway and Twenty-third street railroad companies and the Broadway Surface Railroad company were valid when made and are not affected by the dissolution of the latter company The receiver takes the franchise as part of its property, to run cars on Broadway subject to the lien of its two mortgages and to traffic arrangements.

The court does not pass on the question as to the rights of any particular holder of bonds secured by these mortgages, but only decides if there are any holders who are entitled to enforce the liens of said mortgages those liens embrace and cover the franchise to run cars through Broadway. The portion of the act which provides for proof of debts before the receiver and the taking of testimony by him does not provide for such a hearing before a judicial tribunal as an individual who claims to be a creditor is entitled to, and hence it imposes no obligation upon them to comply with these provisions.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

A Connecticut Man Kills His Mistress and Shoots Himself.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn, Dec 24—Newtown was the scene of a most cold-blooded murder last night. For some time past William Warner, a well-known young man has been on intimate terms with Mrs. Mary Lynch, a rather sprightly woman who formerly lived in this city with her husband. She left here a few weeks ago and took up her residence near Newtown with her mother. Last evening Warner called to see her, and as near as can be learned they quarrelled. During the difficulty Warner shot Mrs. Lynch through the heart. The unfortunate woman fell face forward on the floor, dead. Warner asked her mother if she thought Mary was dead, and at the same instant sent a bullet through the back of his victim. Warner then turned and made his escape. This is not the first time he has been connected with murderous broils.

Warner left the house and went to Hattertown where he remained until 3 o'clock this morning. He then returned to the Lynch house, and after sitting on the fence a while, entered to find himself alone with the dead body, the family having deserted the house from fear The house was surrounded by armed men and when sufficient courage had been gathered, some one entered and found Warner had shot himself and his dead body was lying across that of his victim.

A Priest's Defy.

PEKIN, Ill., Dec. 24—The Catholics of this diocese are in a state of excitement over recent difficulties in which Father F. X. Noonan, pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic church, is concerned. It is stated that he was concerned in some real estate transactions wherein fraud was perpetrated, and when the particulars reached the ears of Bishop Spalding, of Peoria, he suspended Father Noonan and sent Father Dunne to take his place. When the latter arrived he found the residence of the priest barricaded, and was driven off the premises by the servants. Suit was begun against the priest in the name of Bishop Spalding Tuesday and a constable managed to read the summons to Noonan by climbing to an upper window Noonan has rented the house directly across the fence from the parsonage, which is now occupied by Father Dunne, and defies the bishop or anybody else to drive him out of his new quarters.

Hung to a Bedpost.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 24—Charles Jacobs was a well-to-do shopkeeper at 381 Central avenue, living with his wife and children. Last midnight he retired At 2 30 a. m. his son Philip arose to get a drink, and found him dead hanging by the neck by a piece of twine to a bedpost, his feet extending out on the floor, and his body raised just far enough to admit of strangling to death. The family, which slept in the same room, had not been disturbed by the old man's motions. The boy's cries attracted Sergeant Tom Gill and aroused the neighborhood The body was cut down and left with the bereaved widow, two sons and a daughter Deceased had three brothers, Fred, the jeweler, Jake, the liquor dealer, and David, a salesman. The coroner was notified.

Four Workmen Terribly Burned.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 24.—An explosion of molten steel occurred at the Homestead steel works of Carnegie, Phillips & Co last evening, terribly burning four workmen A ladle containing six tons of molten steel was being swung from the smelting furnace to the ingot mould, when the crane broke and the ladle overturned, emptying the hot metal into the pit. A frightful explosion followed, throwing the metal all over the mill. John Kelly's face, hands, chest and back were burned seriously, Henry Hall's face and hands, George Wilson's head and neck and William Barrett's face, hands and legs were injured by the hot metal. Their sufferings are terrible, but this morning it is thought all will recover

Decision in a Railroad Suit.

SYRACUSE, N Y, Dec 24.—Judge Wallace, of the United States circuit court, has announced a decision in the suit of Young against the Farmers' Loan and Trust company, and the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad company The suit was brought by a stockholder of the railroad company to restrain that company from issuing and the Farmers' Loan and Trust company from delivering certificates of stock to the amount of $4,000 000 in consummation of the purchase of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe company of the controlling interest in the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe railway Judge Wallace denied the motion for an injunction.

THE BRITISH CABINET.

CONSTERNATION CAUSED BY LORD CHURCHILL'S RESIGNATION.

The Marquis of Hartington Summoned From Italy—He Will Probably Decline to Enter the Cabinet, Although He Will Be Urged to Do So By the Queen.

LONDON, Dec. 24—The Marquis of Hartington, having been summoned from Italy by telegraph, will return to London immediately. Lord Salisbury will take no action, nor will he express any opinion regarding the resignation of Lord Randolph Churchill until Lord Hartington's arrival It is not probable, however, that Lord Hartington will accept the position of prime minister, and it is extremely unlikely that he will be induced to accept any other office, Mr. Chamberlain and a majority of the Liberal Unionist leaders having already given evidence of their opposition to his doing so

It is stated upon reliable authority that the queen will exert the utmost pressure to induce Lord Hartington to join the ministry, and assume the government leadership in the commons Should Lord Hartington refuse the Conservative element is in favor of Sir Michael Hicks Beach resuming the chancellorship of the exchequer and the appointment of Right Hon Edward Stanhope, now colonial secretary, as chief secretary for Ireland

Lord Salisbury had a conference with W H Smith, secretary for war, and Gen Ponsonby, the queen's private secretary, and returned to Hatfield.

The queen summoned Lord Randolph Churchill and Lord Hamilton, first lord of the admiralty, to Windsor, Tuesday, and tried to reconcile Churchill to the policy of his colleagues, but unsuccessful, she gave Churchill a certain time to consider his position as opposed to that of the cabinet and crown. Lord Salisbury and his friends consider the premature divulgence of the fact in the Times to be a breach of faith

Mr Matthews, home secretary, is the only other cabinet officer expected to resign, but Mr Ritchie, president of the local government board, and Mr Jackson, financial secretary, share Churchill's views and may retire Lord Churchill says his health is good. He resigned from a deliberately formed purpose, and not from any ill temper or weariness of cares of office He has abandoned his intended visit to Ireland.

Parnell Interviewed.

LONDON, Dec 24—A reporter obtained an interview with Mr Parnell at the Euston hotel yesterday Mr. Parnell explained that he had not wanted any interviews, but he would make exceptions in cases where the information was intended for the American public His illness, he said, became acute about the end of October, but for several months previously he had been losing flesh, appetite and strength.

"After my malady had been fully developed," Mr. Parnell continued, "I was unable to attend to any kind of business for several weeks, and it is only within the last three weeks that I have permitted myself even to think of political affairs"

Mr Parnell then remarked that the government now that Lord Churchill had resigned would have something else to think of than coercing Ireland It would have to struggle hard for existence.

He did not, however, think that the government would be able to apply for coercive powers in any case since noting the marked absence of crimes and the general moderation with which the National league campaign had been condemned, and considering the fact that the object of the government and that of the promoters of the plan of campaign is identical, namely that of obtaining a fair abatement of rents from unyielding landlords These points had taken away many of the usual excuses for coercion and the few remaining were not strong enough to stand alone"

Newspaper Opinions.

LONDON, Dec 24—The afternoon papers all contain editorials on the resignation of Lord Randolph Churchill The St James Gazette, Conservative, says "If Lord Churchill's reasons for resigning were his demands for the reduction of the army and navy estimates nothing can be said of his action except that it was not much to be deplored But if the local government bill was the cause of his resignation the government grievously erred in insisting upon the adoption of such a measure despite the protestations of the chancellor of the exchequer" The Echo believes Lord Churchill's resignation was due to essential divergence of opinion in the cabinet

The Evening News says: "The patriots were pained and surprised at his resignation, and ask Lord Churchill to justify his action"

The Pall Mall Gazette says "The resignation of Lord Churchill's makes it impossible for Lord Salisbury to govern unless Lord Hartington steps into the breach, and it is impossible for Lord Hartington to refuse to succeed Lord Churchill"

The Globe says "It is difficult for the warmest admirers of Lord Churchill to justify his action"

John Dillon and Others Discharged.

DUBLIN Dec 24—Mr John Dillon and the other implicated Nationalist members of parliament appeared at Loughrea, in answer to the government summons to appear at their peril on a charge of conspiracy The government did not prosecute them and they were discharged Mr Nolan, Nationalist member of parliament was the presiding magistrate

Situation Critical.

LONDON, Dec 24—Mr Chamberlain, speaking at Birmingham last night, said the situation was critical He said that practically he and Mr Gladstone and Lord Randolph Churchill were all Liberals, and that they all could agree upon a scheme for land reform and local government in Ireland He appealed to Liberals to support this view

The Pope Protests.

ROME, Dec. 24—The pope receiving the Christmas congratulations of the college of cardinals protested against the anti clerical movement in Italy, the holy see being now despoiled of the last remnants of its patrimony

Plotters Discovered.

ST PETERSBURG, Dec 24.—Several formidable organizations have been discovered in St. Petersburg, Moscow, Vladimir and other places, many of whose members have been arrested.

The Howler's Belief.

LONDON, Dec. 24—The Times says there is reason to believe that Lord Salisbury is ready to serve in a cabinet of which Lord Hartington might be premier

Snow Storms in Europe.

LONDON, Dec 24—Heavy snow storms continues throughout the continent and mails from all parts of Europe are consequently delayed

Royal Library at Munich.

BERLIN, Dec. 24—Prince Bismarck, responding to the request for the establishment of a royal library at Munich, says he is glad of an opportunity to express his gratitude for the benefits conferred by a magnanimous king and Bavarian bravery, and says the library will serve as a reminder of the part they took in the restoration of peace and the security of Germany

A Message From the Queen.

LONDON, Dec 24—The queen, in view of the crisis in the cabinet, has sent her private secretary, Sir Henry Ponsonby, to London with a message for Lord Salisbury

ALL IN THE DARK.

Progress of the Empire State Senatorial Fight—The Speakership.

NEW YORK, Dec 24.—The atmosphere was quiet around the senatorial headquarters yesterday There were no new developments. The friends of Miller and Morton profess great confidence, but are doing less talking than formerly As an offset for the figures of Congressman Burleigh, giving Miller fifty votes on the first ballot, the friends of Morton claim fifty-two votes—forty-two in the assembly and ten in the senate In the judgment of conservative men the figures given by both sides are exaggerated. There are still enough uncertain votes to leave the matter in doubt. Mr Hiscock left for Syracuse last evening

The announcement is made by one of Gen Husted's friends that the bald eagle will open headquarters at the Delevan house, in Albany, next Thursday, has officially proclaimed his candidacy for the speakership

The fact that Husted is a candidate for the speakership has been known for some time, but the final announcement of it may unsettle the calculations of some of the other candidates. According to the present program arranged by Hiscock's manager, Fremont Cole will not be drawn out of the race

Frank Arnold, of Otsego, was at the Fifth Avenue hotel last night He said he had no intention of retiring from the speakership contest, but thought that the fight would be between Husted and himself. In his judgment, however, the opponents of Baker had underestimated his strength Mr. Baker, he thought, would have more votes in the caucus than he had been credited with Mr Arnold is very popular among his associates and he has taken special pains to keep from forming any entagling alliances with the other candidates He is on friendly terms with them all, and is in a position to draw their support should a deadlock occur.

A Youthful Mail Robber.

CHICAGO, Dec 24—Robert J Calladine, employed as a stamper in the city distribution department of the postoffice was arrested last night by Inspector Bussett for robbing the mails Calladine has been suspected for several months, as during that time money has continually disappeared from letters passing through his hands. He was caught by means of a decoy letter The amount of his peculations is, of course, not known, but it is supposed to be considerable. Calladine is only seventeen years of age, and was appointed about a year ago

International Range Association.

DENVER, Col, Dec 24.—The members of the International Range association and all other cattle associations of the United States, Mexico and Canada have been notified that the annual meeting of the first named organization will be held in Denver February 8, 1887, and are invited to attend The call for the meeting says the condition of the plain's cattle industry needs careful investigation, and the future prosperity of the cattle men largely depends on the action taken by the coming convention

Thawing Frozen Dynamite.

ELIZABETHTOWN Pa, Dec 24—At an early hour in the morning William C Cahill, aged twenty years, employed in a gang of men who are sloping the tunnel, was thawing some frozen dynamite Suddenly the cartridges were exploded and Cahill was blown to pieces. Both legs and arms were torn off Charles Dickel, Charles McMannis and one Honaflus were also badly injured Cahill is from Columbia, Dickel and McMannis from Lancaster, and Honaflus of Elizabethtown

Guns for British Columbia.

WINNIPEG, Man, Dec 24—Attached to the Pacific express to-day were one box and two flat cars. The former contained ammunition and the two latter four cannon, each mounted They were billed through direct from the arsenal at Woolwich to Esquimalt They are the first consignment of guns and stores with which it is intended by the British government to fortify British Columbia ports.

Damages for False Imprisonment.

SIOUX CITY Iowa, Dec. 24—George A Lang yesterday began suit against W R Camp for $10 000 for malicious prosecution and false imprisonment Early in October Lang was arrested on information sworn out by Camp charged with being a conspirator in the Haddock murder After remaining in jail eleven days he was discharged as it was shown that he knew nothing of the case

Death of Mother Mary.

MILWAUKEE, Wis, Dec 24—Margaret Ivers, known in religion as Mother Mary of St Bernard, one of the four Sisters of the Good Shepherd, who came to Milwaukee nine years ago and established a reformatory for wayward girls, died last evening, after a lingering illness, at the age of forty seven years. She was originally from St Paul and later from St Louis

The Knights' Pickets.

AMSTERDAM, N Y, Dec 24—Recorder Stewart has decided that the Knights of Labor pickets, tried yesterday, should be held as disorderly persons, and to give $250 bail for their good behavior for a year

BIG STREET CAR STRIKE.

GENERAL TIE-UP OF ALL THE BROOKLYN LINES.

The Trouble is Happily Settled By Arbitration Sixteen Hours After the Strike. The Company in No Condition to Withstand a Suspension of Business.

NEW YORK, Dec 24—For some time a general tie up of the eleven street car lines in Brooklyn operated by the Brooklyn City Railroad company, has been impending The employes of these roads have had many causes for dissatisfaction, but have been putting off the strike in the hopes of effecting a settlement. This they found impossible, so they shrewdly selected yesterday, the great day for Christmas shopping, as the day upon which a strike would hurt the great corporation most.

The executive board of District Assembly No 75 of the Knights of Labor ordered the strike at 4 45 a m It went into effect at 4 50 a. m and was only settled late in the afternoon, and that mainly through the efforts of State Arbitration Commissioner F F Donavan and Mayor Whitney, of Brooklyn A little after 8 p m the cars began running as usual

It looked for a time as if there was going to be a long fight, disastrous to both sides. Early in the day Commissioner Donovan, after conferring by telegraph with his colleagues on the board of arbitration visited the offices of the company and saw President Lewis and some of the directors He was cordially received, and they conversed for some time Mr. Lewis accepted his offer to act as mediator Mr Donavan then went to the office of District Assembly, No 75, and saw District Master Workman Graham, and offered his services as a mediator Mr Graham accepted his offer. When Mr Donavan went back to the company's office he found Mayor Whitney in consultation with President Lewis

Mr Whitney offered to act with Mr Donovan in his efforts to effect a settlement. Mr. Whitney and Mr Donovan then spent the rest of the day as bearers of propositions and counter propositions between the street railroad company and the leaders of the men. By using persuasion on both parties they finally effected an agreement. The agreement is that regular runs shall not occupy over twelve hours, and no "swing" more than fourteen hours No "trippers" to be paid less than $1 50 a day, and, finally, that all other grievances shall be submitted to a committee of one from each road of the company to meet in conference and settle

A FAMOUS EXPRESS ROBBERY.

Judge Welker Decides That the Express Company is Responsible.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 24—Judge Welker, of the United States circuit court for Ohio, has just given a decision of great interest to Cincinnati people In June last, it will be remembered that a $10,000 package was consigned for transfer to the Van Wert National bank, of Van Wert, O, by the Union National bank, of this city, through the United States Express company, was stolen in transit The bank brought suit to recover the money, with interest.

The verdict of the jury giving the plaintiff $10,306 67 forever settles in Ohio the question whether express companies are liable for goods or money stolen while in transit It also settles the question whether express companies have the right to receive money without counting By the decision the express companies must prove that the package did not contain the money

Many Millions of Dollars.

DENVER, Col, Dec 24—The most important mining suit ever tried in Colorado, one which involves many millions of dollars, has been settled in the United States circuit court The suit was brought by D M Hymans, of Cincinnati, against J B Wheeler and other New York capitalists, the question being whether Hymans Durant mine is a fissure vein, and therefore entitled to be worked as far as it runs in the mountain, or whether the ore in the Aspen mountains is deposit ore, which can be worked by local owners of claims The verdict is in favor of Hymans This wipes out the title of about 500 mining claims and establishes an important precedent

Brooklyn Street Car Men Win.

BROOKLYN, Dec 24—At 8 o'clock last night the police were notified that the Brooklyn City railroad had compromised with their employes, and the strike was ended The news spread rapidly, and there was great enthusiasm among all workmen President Lewis of the company said the railroad was not prepared for a struggle, and had agreed to in future recognize an employe from each department as a committee to present grievances, and that such complaints would be given due attention Trippers will receive $1 50 per day and conductors and drivers will work only twelve consecutive hours for a day's work hereafter

Young Man Wanted By Federal Officers.

COLUMBUS O, Dec 24—The United States marshal swore out warrants for the arrest of Charles Frossnrider of this city who has been in the insurance business at Memphis Tenn He is charged with conducting a fraudulent life insurance business and is wanted all over the United States Frossnrider was in the city last week but can not be found now His father is chief of the city fire department, and stands high socially

Unjustifiable Murder

INDIANAPOLIS Dec 24—Thomas Connaughton, who was shot last night, died at an early hour this morning His ante mortem statement did not differ materially from the story telegraphed last night Fisherman [illegible] still denies all knowledge of the shooting but two additional witnesses have been found to the fact that he was upon the scene at the time Great indignation is felt here over the murder

Three People Burned to Death.

ASHTABULA O, Dec 24—C B Russell, a wealthy and prominent farmer, his wife and son, a young man, perished by the burning of their house in Saybrook, five miles west of here, at daylight in the morning Russell escaped, but returned to the burning building and was overcome by the smoke

BRIEF MENTION

News of the Day Compressed for the Hasty Peruser.

Dr Wesley Pope, aged sixty five years, hanged himself in his barn, at Richfield, O.

In a saloon quarrel at East Palestine, O., John Burns shot and fatally wounded Jacob Hunt.

Frank Watson was killed by machinery at Hulbutt & Co's hominy mill, at Mt Vernon, Indiana

The United States man-of-war Tennessee, the largest vessel in the navy has been condemned

The Indiana supreme court adjourned Thursday without deciding the lieutenant governorship case

Mrs. Jennie Johnson, of Chicago while mentally unbalanced, threw herself into the lake and was drowned

At Cleveland, O, Mrs Lizzie Bowen was granted a divorce from Rev Benjamin F Bowen, on the ground of cruelty

General Manager Dunham, of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, has resigned and has assumed charge as general manager

The residence of Daniel Strowd[illegible], at Marietta, O, was destroyed by fire and a four-year old grandchild perished in the flames

The Millers' association, of Indiana, is in session at Frankfort for the purpose of perfecting their organization for future protection

H P Forwood, cotton merchant, of Louisville, Ky, who failed about a year ago, has been adjudged insane and sent to the asylum

Thomas Cannaughton, who was shot at Indianapolis, Wednesday night while attempting to escape arrest, died early Thursday morning

Kingcraft, the noted racer, recently purchased in England by D. Swigert, of Lexington, Ky, died on the vessel while en route to this country

Mrs Jacob Eldridge, an aged colored woman, who for several years has been gradually turning white, died at Howell, Mich, Wednesday

Preston Valentine, colored, to be hanged on the 21st of January at Augusta, Me, for the murder of William Vales, has made a full confession

Steve Hagins, proprietor of a saloon and boarding house in Cincinnati, has been missing for the past three days, and it is feared he has been foully dealt with

By a railway accident on the Asheville & Spartanburg railroad, near Asheville, N C, one lady was fatally hurt, and ten or twelve other persons were seriously injured

The eleven street car lines of Brooklyn were tied up by a general strike early yesterday morning By 8 p. m the difficulties were settled and the cars were running again

The strike of the Louisville & Nashville freight brakemen is at present confined to the main line, between Louisville and Nashville, and the north end of the Knoxville division

The first comptroller has disallowed the claim of Gen Mosby for the refunding of fees which he turned into the treasury while consul at Hong Kong, but afterward claimed

At Evansville, Ind, members of council and Fire Chief Bullen have brought damage suits aggregating $90,000 against the Cumberland Telephone company for false imprisonment.

Jacob Ottenheimer, of Crab Orchard, Lincoln county, Kentucky, was arrested in New York, and held in $10,000 bail to answer for an alleged deficiency in his accounts with the Lincoln Land company

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

Quotations of the Money, Stock, Produce, and Cattle Markets for December 24.

NEW YORK—Money [illegible] per cent. Exchange steady. Governments firm

Currency sixes, 127¼ bid, fours coupons 128¾, fours and a halfs, 110¼ bid

The stock market continued firm after the first call but trading was very light At noon prices were up ⅛ to 1½ per cent Since then nothing of importance has transpired

Bur & Quincy	135⅞	Mich Central	94
Canadian Pacific	[illegible]	Missouri Pacific	108¼
Canadian Southern	63⅞	N Y Central	118⅜
Central Pacific	14¾	Northwestern	113¼
C C C & I	67⅜	Northern Pacific	[illegible]
Del & Hudson	100⅛	do preferred	60½
Del Lack & W	138¼	Ohio & Miss	[illegible]
Denver & Rio G	30⅛	Pacific Mail	46
Erie seconds	[illegible]	Reading	[illegible]
Illinois Central	130	Rock Island	[illegible]
Texas Central	51	St Paul	[illegible]
Kansas & Texas	[illegible]	do preferred	[illegible]
Lake Shore	[illegible]	Union Pacific	[illegible]
Louisville & Nash	63⅞	Western Union	[illegible]

Cincinnati.

FLOUR—Fancy $3 75@[illegible], family [illegible] 3 65

WHEAT—No [illegible] red 76@78, No [illegible]

CORN—No [illegible] mixed [illegible] No 2 mixed [illegible]

OATS—No [illegible] mixed [illegible] No [illegible] mixed, [illegible] 31c No 3 white [illegible]

PORK—Family $12 [illegible]@12 [illegible], regular, $11 [illegible]@11 00

LARD—Kettle, [illegible]

BACON—Short clear sides [illegible]

CHEESE—Prime to choice Ohio [illegible]@12c, New York 12@13

POULTRY—Spring chickens [illegible] prime to choice [illegible] common [illegible] per dozen ducks [illegible] turkeys, [illegible]

WOOL—Unwashed medium clothing [illegible] fine merino 18@20c common [illegible] washed medium clothing 32@34c [illegible] 30@ 32c fine merino X and XX [illegible] tub washed 31 [illegible] pulled [illegible] 3 c

HAY—No 1 timothy $11 00@11 50 No 2 $10 00 [illegible] mixed [illegible] prairie [illegible], wheat oats and rye straw $5 00@6 00

CATTLE—Good to choice butchers $3 [illegible]@[illegible] 10, fair [illegible] common, $1 50@2 25 stockers and feeders [illegible] yearlings and calves, [illegible]

HOGS—Select butchers [illegible] fair to good packing $4 10@4 30 fair to good light [illegible] common [illegible] culls [illegible]

SHEEP—Common to fair [illegible] good to choice [illegible] common to fair lambs [illegible] good to choice [illegible]

Pittsburg

CATTLE—Beeves fair to good $4 00@4 [illegible], common $3 00@[illegible], prime [illegible]@$5 00, stockers [illegible]@[illegible] feeders $4 00 [illegible] [illegible] head [illegible] head

HOGS—[illegible] receipts [illegible] head shipments 400 head Philadelphias [illegible] Yorkers [illegible] common to [illegible], [illegible]@4 15

SHEEP—Very dull prime $4 50@5 00 fair to good [illegible] common $1 50@[illegible] lambs, [illegible]@6 00 receipts [illegible] head shipments, [illegible]

New York.

WHEAT—No [illegible] red state, 90[illegible] No 2 red winter January 90[illegible] [illegible] 91¾

CORN—Mixed cash [illegible] January 47⅝.

OATS—No 1 white state 38c No 2 [illegible]

CATTLE—$4 10@[illegible] per 100 lbs live weight

HOGS—$[illegible]@[illegible] per 100 lbs

SHEEP—$3 40@[illegible] per 100 lbs live weight

POINTS FOR AMERICANS.

WHAT TO DO AND HOW TO DO IT IN PARIS

Something About the Best Places at Which to Make Purchases—Street Cars in the French Capital—Other Matters of Interest

[Special Correspondence.]

PARIS, Dec. 6.—I propose in this letter to tell Americans who are coming to Paris for the first time some little things that they ought to know and that they would be glad to know about the habits and customs of the French capital.

I still remember my first morning in Paris now more than twelve years ago, and especially do I recall my ineffectual attempt to take a ride in one of the boulevard omnibuses. I noticed one of the chariots of the democracy stop and I started to get on, but I was pushed back by the [illegible]. There are conductors as well as drivers on the French omnibuses, while the empty places were filled by others more favored than myself. It was several days before I caught on—I use the expression literally and also in its slang acceptation. I found that scattered along the route of a Paris horse car or omnibus line are stations about half a mile apart. If you wait for an omnibus or a car at one of these stations you must ask the employe at the station for a number, a little piece of pasteboard with a figure printed on it, and when the vehicle arrives the numbers are called out by the conductor and you step up in turn. This system explains why I failed to get my ride on that June morning twelve years ago. I was not armed with one of these all important little passports.

If you wish to take an omnibus between stations you must not be too near to the station that the omnibus is approaching. Otherwise you will not be permitted to get on. The reason of this is that if you saw there was a crowd at the station and you feared you would not get a seat, your number being a high one, you would simply have to walk towards the omnibus, stop it and get on, while those you left behind at the station would have to wait their turn. Between stations numbers are of course not used and you then take an omnibus in Paris just as you do in American cities.

The correspondence or transfer ticket is another perplexing feature of the Parisian omnibus system to the foreign visitor. When you pay your fare you can ask for a correspondence, which gives you the right to change at a station and get on another line that passes the station at which you get off. Again, you must be very careful when you step on to your second omnibus to give up your correspondence to the employe, otherwise you may be made to pay over again and thus forfeit the benefit of your correspondence.

The etiquette of Parisian cars and omnibuses deserves a paragraph, although the rules are not so stringent as those established by the company. A gentleman does not feel bound to give up his seat to a lady, as in the United States. You never see men in Paris hiding their heads behind newspapers when a lady is standing as you so frequently do in our American cities. But at the same time it is not a rare thing for a gentleman to invite a lady to take his place. Again, very particular ladies and gentlemen will ride only in the street cars and in the three horse omnibuses, no man or woman who respects himself or herself—society with a big S has ordained—would be seen in one of the cramped up and rather dirty two horse omnibuses. I do dislike to get in them, not on account of what Mrs Grundy may say, but because they are so low that you are sure to crush in your hat and more especially [illegible] the air within is much like that of the Black Hole of Calcutta.

But notwithstanding the many horse cars and omnibuses that run into all parts of the city, the visitor is often forced to take more costly conveyances. As a rule you have no trouble in finding a cab. It is only on a bright Sunday afternoon that it is sometimes difficult to discover an empty one or that you are apt to stumble on a driver who will have his own way. The Paris cab driver has a very bad character with the public, but I have found that if you treat him politely and invariably report them when they fail to return the compliment you can get on pretty well with the average Parisian whip. The pourboire or gratuity due to a cabman is another source of perplexity to a foreigner. How much ought I to give? is a question the traveler is always asking himself and his friends. I should suggest the following rule which I have long followed and which I have found with rare exceptions to be satisfactory to Cabby. If you take him by the hour and are on the go an hour or an hour and a half give him a half franc. If you take him by the course and keep him a half or three quarters of an hour give him five sous. If your course is a long one you might add another sou and make it six. If it is rainy or very cold weather you might be still more generous and give him seven sous. But as a rule ten sous is enough when you go by the hour and five when it is by the course.

And now a word about restaurants. In Paris, as in the great American cities there are restaurants of all grades and prices, but here the quality of the refreshments does not differ so widely from the prices as with you. Go into almost any eating house in the French capital and you can order a better dinner than you often get in a restaurant of repute in some American city. The art of cooking seems to be universally understood in France. In the smallest villages of the most distant provinces I have eaten meals that would render famous many of the down town restaurants of New York. But I do not intend here to go into a discussion of the comparative merits of the French and American cuisines nor to dwell in detail on the [illegible]. Both subjects would require a separate letter. What I wish to do is to give a hint or two to the American visitor who comes here with more curiosity than money and who wishes to spend his dollars on sight seeing rather than on an expensive board bill. To such a person I should unhesitatingly say "Go to the Duvals." And what are the Duvals? he will ask. I will tell you.

Several years ago an enterprising Parisian caterer named Duval, whose head was as full of ideas as receipts, struck out on a new line, the most prominent feature of which was printing the dinner [illegible] dish just what each article of food was going to cost. In this way all disputes over bills were to be avoided [illegible] good friend M. Duval [illegible] one and when he died he left a fortune as well as a score of flourishing restaurants to his successors. The Duval eating houses are scattered all over the city, but the largest and most inviting of them is to be found in the little Rue Montesquieu, quite near the [illegible]. They have been imitated even to the painting of the outside of the building, but neither the [illegible] and prices of these pseudo Duvals are much like those of the genuine Duval [illegible] to praise or condemn them.

When you enter a Bouillon Duval as they are called you are given a small sheet of paper with a list of dishes and prices printed on it. This is to be handed to your waiter when you select a table and he puts a [illegible] opposite each dish that is ordered. You will find on the bill of fare [illegible] with the prices duly printed. When you have finished your repast the waiter hands back the paper which you deposit at the counter where the amounts are footed up by a lady clerk. You pay, she stamps the paper and in passing out of the restaurant you return the paper to the employe at the door who first gave it to you. It is evident that by this system there can be no cheating, a practice too common in France when the occasion offers and the foreigner [illegible]. I forgot to say that on rising from the table a Frenchman leaves two sous if alone, or if accompanied by others two or three sous for each additional member of the party. Americans sometimes give a franc or so, a very bad custom, for it spoils the waiters who are no longer satisfied with a just pourboire. Something should always be given for the waiters are unpaid and live entirely by these small offerings which however generally amount to a good sum by the end of the day.

And now a few words about Paris stores. The shops of the French capital are famous all the world over and with good reason, for where else is such taste shown as in the windows that line the grand boulevards and the principal streets of the city? But as a rule I should suggest that Americans who have not a large bank account limit their relations with the Paris shops to admiring them from the streets. Within, the display is very tempting and the shopkeeper very alert and you run the risk not only of purchasing what you never dreamed of before crossing the threshold but also of paying a price for it that you will always dream of thereafter. These wily Parisian merchants know that manufactured articles often cost twice as much in the United States as in France, so they are sure as a rule to sell to Americans at American prices. What I am saying here applies only to the jaunty little shops that catch the eye of the tourist. There are in Paris just as many honest storekeepers as in other cities, but it is the natives only for the most part who find them out and trade with them.

I should suggest to those of my countrymen and women who have purchases to make in Paris to confine themselves as much as possible to the big stores where every article is marked and where so much business is done that all petty cheating is never resorted to nor even thought of. There are perhaps a score of these great stores at the French capital of which the most noted and unquestionably the best is the famous Bon Marche. Translated into English this means "Cheap Store." And you get cheap things there and dear ones too, but if I were to venture to give one [illegible] piece of advice I should say, always buy the best articles, for by so doing you will get the thing good at its lowest price.

THEODORE STANTON.

DAKOTA WINTERS

Grain Fields that Reach to the Horizon on All Sides.

[Special Correspondence.]

NEW YORK, Dec. [illegible].—I went to Dakota from [illegible] the September [illegible] that country. I had [illegible] a little while [illegible] in Traill county [illegible] of a giant field that reached to the horizon in all directions. A blue autumnal sky was overhead. A soft autumnal wind blew in through the open windows of my car. Over the rattle of the rails clanged the machinery of innumerable mowers mowing the wheat in great glittering swaths. I saw innumerable mowers—I mean it.

[illegible]

I stepped out on the platform.

"So this is to be my home," [illegible] to myself.

Oh, but I felt lonesome and sick at heart as I paused in front of the depot and looked round me. It was a town of perhaps 300 inhabitants. The houses were all frame and painted a ghastly glaring white. They huddled close together as if they were afraid of getting lost in the illimitable green prairie that spread off to the sky line. Not a hill and not a hollow was visible. The plain was as flat as your parlor floor. Not a thing broke the monotony. In all that wild, wide landscape no tree lent a touch of change and beauty to the scene. The only thing that broke the eternal sameness of the picture was the sod shanty of a farmer here and there supplemented by a haystack.

"Well, Well," I muttered, and with a heavy heart I started for the printing office. It was a little bit of a shanty.

"Is this the office of The ———?" I inquired of a dashing young fellow who sat on a stool picking type.

"Yes." I introduced myself. "I am just going to press," continued the dashing young fellow who turned out to be the editor, proprietor and compositor of the paper. "My wife [illegible] her wrist this morning, and can't [illegible]. Will you roll for me?"

I declined the distinguished honor as gracefully as I knew how.

"We are a little crowded for room, as you see," continued the journalist.

I didn't contradict him. The shanty had only one apartment 10x20 and it served for editorial sanctum, press room, news room, bedroom, parlor, kitchen and [illegible].

A few days later I drove out into the country with the editor. We passed a sod shanty. It consisted of a cellar six feet deep. A sod structure of the same height was built over it. The whole was thatched with straw. A [illegible] attracted my attention.

Winter came. And what surprised me most was that the snow [illegible] known in Dakota. The terrible blizzards keep the prairies swept bare save in places where great drifts often twenty feet high catch the flakes. One night in December there came a rain. A sudden change and the frost turned the whole prairie into a skating rink.

Cold? Well I should [illegible] below zero.

"Go," said I to the [illegible] belonging to the hotel, "go and bring [illegible] freezing [illegible]."

"Not much, mister."

"Why [illegible] little [illegible]"

[illegible]

"Well, I wasn't [illegible]"

[illegible]

W[illegible] KERNAN.

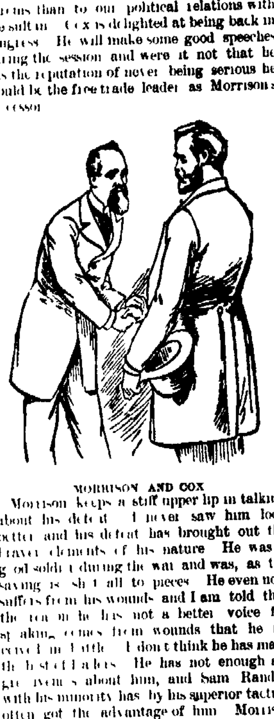
CAPITOL SKETCHES.

PEN PICTURES OF STATESMEN CAUGHT ON THE FLY

Sam Cox and Morrison—Randall's Gout, Carlisle and Hewitt—Susan B. Anthony at Washington—Senator Sherman's Rambos Apples—Civil Service Oberley.

[Special Correspondence.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The first few days of the congressional session have developed little of note. There has been the usual handshaking and the usual swapping of lies among the members as to their successes and defeats. Morrison, Carlisle and Sam Cox have been the centers of attraction, and it was quite a scene when Cox and Morrison met for the first time. They stood in front of the speaker's chair. Morrison was rather stiff and straight, but as soon as he saw Cox his eye brightened and when it caught that of the ex-Turkish minister the latter jumped toward him and gave him one of the old fashioned hand shakes that he learned when he was a boy at Zanesville seeking his first political honors. Sam Cox is one of the most nervous and most enthusiastic of public men. He bubbles over with good feeling, and though he has a frame under medium height his heart is as big as the Capitol dome. He is looking very well and his Turkish trip has undoubtedly agreed with him. His fellow members crowd around and ask him questions about Turkey, and I notice their inquiries turn more to the social life of the Mohammedans and to the beauties of the harems than to our political relations with the sultan. Cox is delighted at being back in congress. He will make some good speeches during the session and were it not that he has the reputation of never being serious he would be the free trade leader as Morrison's successor.



MORRISON AND COX.

Morrison keeps a stiff upper lip in talking about his defeat. I never saw him look better and his defeat has brought out the braver elements of his nature. He was a good soldier during the war and was, as the saying is, shot all to pieces. He even now suffers from his wounds and I am told that the reason he has not a better voice for speaking comes from wounds that he received in battle. I don't think he has made the best of leaders. He has not enough aggressiveness about him, and Sam Randall with his minority has by his superior tactics often got the advantage of him. Morrison though an able man is not one of commanding presence. He hesitates a little when he speaks and he is as bashful as a schoolboy.

Randall bears everything before him, and his big iron jaw rises and falls with the force of a steam engine. This engine is Randall's will, which never swerves, and which by British persistency often conquers. He works quietly [illegible] and Randall wants everything done at the minute. I saw him standing at the door of his committee room yesterday as I passed a poorly dressed woman with a little boy at her side came up and addressed him. She said: "I would like to see Mr. Randall."

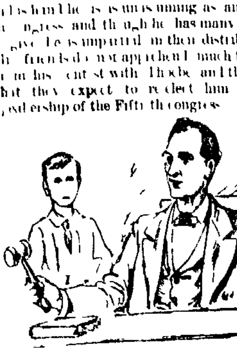
"I am Mr. Randall," was the response.

The poor woman hesitated and said: "I would like to have a little talk with you and [illegible] know when you can spare the time."

It was in the thick of the day's business, but Randall immediately answered with a stately bow, "Now, madam." He knew if he put off the meeting the interview would probably never occur. He is one of the busiest men in congress and gets rid of a greater amount of work by doing the things which he has to do the moment they come up.

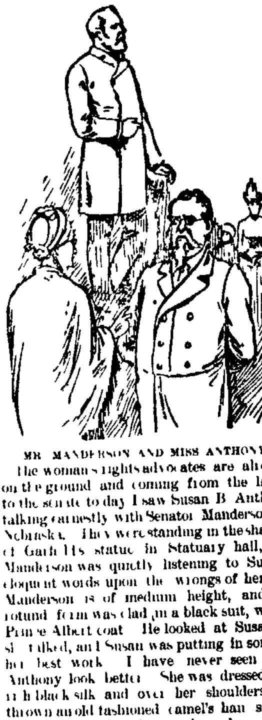
Still Randall is not well. He has had several attacks of the gout during the past year and he sometimes moves around as though he were walking on eggs. He is very plain in his habits, simple in his dress and is not a [illegible]. How his gout has developed to its present proportions is a question, but it is probably largely hereditary.

Speaker Carlisle is looking much better during the past few days than he has looked for some time. He is of the same type as Randall, save that Randall's face appears to have been cut out with one of the sharpest of nature's sculptor's chisels, while Carlisle's might have been molded with a hatchet. It is a rough honest face, sallow in complexion and free from whiskers or moustache. Both Carlisle and Randall are always smoothly shaven. [illegible] both stand six feet in their stockings and both wear black broadcloth suits with double breasted frock coats. Neither is very particular about his clothes and the queer [illegible] which each affects look as if they made their own toilets. Carlisle has a high broad forehead and from under this look out a pair of honest gray eyes. There is little of the politician about him but much of the statesman. He makes a good presiding officer and is noted for the justice of his decisions. Sitting in the chair with his gavel in his hand he is as unassuming as any man in congress and though he has many favors to give he is impartial in their distribution. His friends do not apprehend much trouble in his contest with Thoebe and they say that they expect to re-elect him to the speakership of the Fiftieth congress.



SPEAKER CARLISLE.

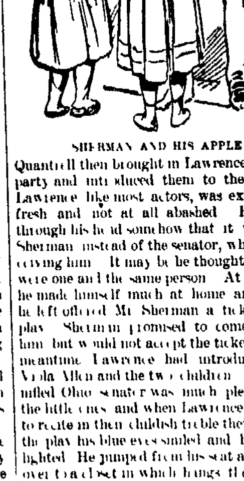
Abram S. Hewitt, the congressman who has been elected mayor of New York city, has been regularly in his seat during the past week. He is a very active little fellow with silvery hair which is thin at the top, with a full beard of the same color, and with restless eyes of bluish gray. His face is rather intellectual, but it bears the marks of care and ill health. He wears clothes no better now than he has for years past and he trots about from one point of his big house to another in his [illegible] wrestling with the fiend in [illegible]. He is an erratic sort of a fellow, and is apt to have two or three different actions upon the same subject during the same week. He has had considerable trouble during his congressional terms, but on the whole he has made a [illegible] congressman and he is a man of much more than ordinary ability. He is a millionaire who puts in as many hours of hard work as a day laborer, and though he has a bank account made up of a large part of Peter Cooper's fortune he dresses in common business clothes and does not put on as much airs as a $1,000 clerk.



MR. MANDERSON AND MISS ANTHONY.

The woman's rights advocates are already on the ground and coming from the house to the senate to day I saw Susan B. Anthony talking earnestly with Senator Manderson of Nebraska. They were standing in the shadow of Garfield's statue in Statuary hall, and Manderson was quietly listening to Susan's eloquent words upon the wrongs of her sex. Manderson is of medium height, and his rotund form was clad in a black suit, with a Prince Albert coat. He looked at Susan as she talked, and Susan was putting in some of her best work. I have never seen Miss Anthony look better. She was dressed in a rich black silk and over her shoulders was thrown an old fashioned camel's hair shawl. She looked at Manderson through a pair of gold rimmed spectacles and she emphasized her words now and then with a bob of her black waterfall, which, by the way, is now getting its first gray strands. Miss Anthony began life as a school teacher at $8 a month. She taught fifteen years, and in that time was able to save only $300. She has been advocating woman's rights for over thirty years, and she has spent the best part of her life at it. Until lately, I think, she had no money but that which she made in lecturing. She drew good houses as a lecturer, and spent all of her profits for the advancement of woman's rights. She is now in comfortable circumstances mainly from a bequest of $[illegible],000 from one of her fellow workers. She comes to Washington every winter, and she is satisfied that the woman rights cause is steadily gaining favor and that woman will eventually be the political equal of man.

Congressman Felton's private secretary, Mr. Quantrell, is an old friend of Atkins Lawrence, the actor, who is starring the country with Miss Viola Allen in the play "A Wall Street Bandit." Lawrence, during his engagement here last week, was anxious to see the sights, and Quantrell took him and Miss Allen and the two little tots of children who figure in one of the Black Friday scenes with him over the Capitol. After visiting the senate chamber they went into the lobby back of it, and upon Lawrence saying that he would like to see the vice president's room, Quantrell opened the door and peeped in. Senator Sherman was seated at the big desk in the vice president's room. He caught Quantrell's eye and asked him to come in.



SHERMAN AND HIS APPLE.

Quantrell then brought in Lawrence and the party and introduced them to the senator. Lawrence, like most actors, was exceedingly fresh and not at all abashed. He got it through his head somehow that it was Gen. Sherman instead of the senator, who was receiving him. It may be he thought the two were one and the same person. At any rate he made himself much at home and before he left offered Mr. Sherman a ticket to his play. Sherman promised to come and see him but would not accept the ticket. In the meantime Lawrence had introduced Miss Viola Allen and the two children. The dignified Ohio senator was much pleased with the little ones, and when Lawrence got them to recite in their childish treble their parts of the play his blue eyes smiled and he was delighted. He jumped from his seat and walked over to a closet in which hangs the extravagant $14 mirror which John Adams bought, and opening the door took out a round old fashioned basket filled with apples. He fingered over these until he had picked out a half dozen of the best and bringing them forth he passed them around to the [illegible] saying:

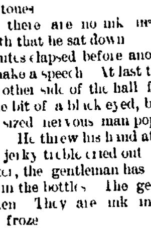
"I want to give you each an Ohio apple. These are Rambos—Rambos from Ohio."

The children were delighted and so were Atkins Lawrence and Viola Allen. Bidding the senator good day they went on through the Capitol munching their apples, and [illegible] the event [illegible] ones of their lives.

Civil Service Commissioner Oberley is one of the most popular men of the new administration. Of good height, his is a form well rounded enough for that of a [illegible] judge, and his head is a big round one of the intellectual type. His face is full and smoothly shaven, his eyes are blue and they look fiercely out from under rather heavy brows. When he talks he wrinkles his forehead, and at the corner of his eyes you will see a smile come and go tempting [illegible] his words are ground out as it were in a drawl which is a cross between a Yankee twang and Senator Blair's [illegible]. Oberley possesses a good deal of humor and he tells a funny story as well as any man in Washington. His dry way of talking adds to the wit of his stories, and he is a [illegible] at a dinner and not a bad [illegible].

He has had a career too and has worked himself to his present position from a printer's case. At the time the war broke out he was one of the editors and proprietors of a newspaper in Memphis which was making for its three partners about $150 a week. The editors were however all Union men and the war destroyed their business. Oberley then became a typesetter in Memphis and was setting on Hardee's Tactics at the time Sumter was fired upon. He had made no secret of his Union sentiments and one day while he was standing at the case a policeman tapped him on the shoulder and said that the vigilance committee would like to see him. After a short examination they gave him just five hours to get out of the town and he came north on the last steamer that left Memphis. He settled in Illinois, worked a while at Cairo, and finally became editor of an Illinois paper. He made himself so popular that he was elected a member of the legislature, and I was much amused the other night at hearing him tell some of his legislative experiences. One of the stories has been told before, but never rightly, and it will bear repetition as coming from Oberley's own lips. Said he:

"I was much impressed with the dignity of being a legislator and I supposed all of the members of the legislature were great men. I approached the state house with fear and trembling. I watched the other fellows and took my seat resolving to be quiet until I had sized up the mighty material surrounding me. The house was called to order. I waited anxiously for the first speech. At last on the other side of the hall I saw a man begin to get up. It seemed to me that it took him a very long time to rise. He pulled himself out of his chair and went on and on upward until he towered over the whole assemblage. I looked at him with awe and asked my neighbor as to who he might be. He replied 'Why that is Jones, of Jo Daviess county.' 'He ought to be called Long Jones,' said I.



NO INK.

"My fellow member laughed, and repeated this remark and from it Long Jones got his title. He is now a prominent politician in the state of Illinois, and is known everywhere as Long Jones.

"Well, after Jones had risen to his six feet four inches he threw out his long arm, which it seemed to me was of the same length as his body, at the speaker, and with Jovian brows said in stentorian tones:

"'Mr. Speaker, there are no ink in the bottle.' And with that he sat down.

"Two full minutes elapsed before another member rose to make a speech. At last there was a stir on the other side of the hall from Jones and a little bit of a black eyed, black whiskered, under sized nervous man popped up out of his seat. He threw his hand at the speaker, and in a jerky treble cried out:

"'Mister Speaker, the gentleman has said they are no ink in the bottles. The gentleman are mistaken. They are ink in the bottles, but it are froze.'

"After these two speeches," concluded Mr. Oberley, "I thought that I was equal to the average legislator in grammar if in nothing else and I nevermore had any fear of the ordinary country statesman."

FRANK G. CARPENTER.

SOME STRANGE SUPERSTITIONS

Theatrical Folk, Gamblers and Criminals and Their "Luck."

[Special Correspondence.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Very few people are free from superstition, even in these days of enlightenment, and it is a curious fact that many of the most advanced thinkers of the day are among those who shape their actions according to signs and omens of different sorts.

Dramatic folk are almost always slaves of superstition and this is true of many of the most eminent artists of the stage as well as of the lesser lights of the stage.

Clara Morris believes that good fortune is sure to follow the finding of an odd number of nails lying about the stage at rehearsal.

Sarah Bernhardt feels ill at ease whenever it is necessary to use a yellow curtain in a stage setting. Yellow is an unlucky color with many other stage people.

Nat Goodwin was once put in an extremely good humor by the rushing of a black cat across the stage during a performance in New Orleans, though it naturally embarrassed the people on the stage, and he says the appearance of a cat, especially a black one, even at rehearsal, is always accounted a good omen in a theater.

Augustin Daly was almost frightened out of his wits by the cracking of a mirror on the occasion of the opening of the Fifth Avenue theatre in New York, some fifteen years ago. And his enterprise proved most unlucky. The superstition that thirteen is an unlucky number is so strong among theatrical people that when a Hazel Kirke company started out with just that number of actors a few years ago young Sidney Couldock was engaged though there was nothing for him to do, just to break the spell.

Unlucky actors and actresses are called Jonahs by members of the "perfesh," and if a performer is so unfortunate as to receive that title at the hands of his fellows every piece of ill luck that may strike the company is laid at his door and his discharge is sure to follow.

Hardly less superstitious than dramatic people are the brokers, though we have not at hand any instances of special superstitions indulged in by prominent financial people. There is hardly a broker in New York who will not shudder if he meet a cross eyed person, especially if it be a negro, and some of the more superstitious will refuse point blank to do any business on the day they meet an oblique eye.

Newspaper reporters are, as a class, quite free from superstitions, though the writer has known several bright reporters who firmly believe in presentiments and declare that they can tell almost infallibly when a murder is going to happen.

But barring sailors, whose superstitions have been the theme of story ever since stories were written, almost professional gamblers are the most superstitious people in existence. [illegible] persons always terrify [illegible] and black cats are eagerly sought after. A Nashville gambler a few years ago paid $[illegible] for a black kitten [illegible] than two [illegible] himself in the firm belief that its possession would bring him luck, and his fellow gamblers shared his belief to such an extent that he was barred from all the games in the town. It is the custom of certain gamblers especially in New Orleans to forbear playing until some player who is seedy and well known to be unlucky comes in. Then the man who would be lucky studies the unlucky man's system and plays directly against it on the theory that the poor fellow's ill luck is sure to follow him to the end.

Criminals generally are superstitious. Red Leary, the notorious bank robber, would follow every funeral procession he could [illegible] across, confident that this would bring him luck in his next nefarious enterprise.

M. J. DEXTER.

THE UPPER DEEP.

Are there eyes so fine to read
Azure [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] may need
Chosen [illegible] may behold
All the stars [illegible]
On the pages of creation
Glowing words of [illegible] thought,
Wonders [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] the wonders of the skies
Poems of the planets golden
Glowing in the upper deep
When each thought seems imagined,
In the eyes that never sleep
Past rails of elysian plains
Where the star writ glory reigns
—G. L. W

A Cure for Dipsomania

Two men having been sentenced months imprisonment for being and disorderly, a medical practition tained the permission of the auth to try upon them a new method of ment. They were removed to quarters and informed that all the would be dressed as they might either with wine, gin or any spirituous liquor. Our topers a the proposal with the greatest and nearly came to blows over the of the liquid. The first day ev passed off well and ample just done to the viands. The second da was a slight falling off in their e asm, still they ate with good a The third day they took very lit began to think that alcohol was a well in its way, but that there w it * * * The fourth day t clined all nourishment. The fi they took a solemn oath to starv than touch the sickening diet doctor was firm and impelled by after a three days fast they cons eat the only food that was of them. At the month's end the were liberated. They were cured for ever since the very wine or spirits would cause them —Gil Blas.

Soldiers in Central Americ

The Honduras consul at Ne says that in his country it does a man general merely to have command of some forces. To general he must have commande ties where he was under fire in Central America is as dang elsewhere, but the list of the is not long because the number batant is not great. A figh twenty men are killed is called The loss of twenty fighting men a great deal to a Central Americ which is not so large as half of states regiment. A fight is pl a Central American. He goe with joy and he comes out with tion. They are not a pugnaciou nor are fist fights frequent. expedition is their dissipation. on their clothes, shoulder their roll their cigarette, and run al an expedition as if it was a sho cago Herald.

The Queen Fifty-four Year

"I saw her," said one of Q toria's subjects, "before she w when she was only a princess ber it well, the occasion many thousands came to say Sir Walter Scott, who had bee mission to Italy more on accou broken health than anythin fancy. He was in an open ba head resting on his [illegible] A was on his right and his fa hound on his left. He was everybody on either side. The ily were out, and that was the I saw Victoria. She was dr short Scotch plaid frock, low short sleeves. That was—le about fifty four years ago."—Ch ald.

Demand for Flowers in

The demand for Italian flow creasing year by year, and s on the inhabitants of t are planting more flowers merly they grew olives and gr is particularly the case in the hood of Nice, Cannes, Grasse tone. From the beginning of till the end of May, 1885, 70,0 fresh flowers were sent awa Nice railway station, the v power being $750,000. One tries which have taken a hint is Germany, which is at prese endeavoring to cultivate fo facture of scents, large quanti violets, lavender and rose York Sun.

Proper Method of Inter

The Boston Pilot says thorne-Lowell episode tha thorne's mistake lay in no with his interview after th professional journalists. In pending on his memory for words, he should have taken book and pencil and written as they were uttered. This and then after the intervie pared in proof should submitted to Mr. Lowell, so error had been committed he could have corrected it. rule in The Sun office, and which ought to be observed New York Sun.

Not as They Used t

"They don't do business to," observed the old gent, his chair round. "Twent man who failed in busin honor [illegible]" "Yes," replie [illegible] "My son was i Chicago. He failed and twenty five cents on the do and paid every creditor in into business again. Ho fail for the first time?" sand dollars, sir." "An time?" "The second time $15,000, I believe. After gent's suddenly turned th into other channels."—Chic

Suggestive Conver

I overheard a rather [illegible] gestive conversation the ot one young girl of 15 to an reading.

"How far have you got?"

"Oh, to where the [illegible]"

"Isn't she [illegible]"

"No, what would [illegible] she was married."

"Well, she might [illegible] know."—New York

Neatness of

In regard to [illegible] races of the world [illegible] beginning at the [illegible] Arabs, Chinese, Jew [illegible] sians, Spaniards, It trian, French, Ital ese. It will be seen to the head and it may in time even [illegible] ture our wonderfully neat of the west.—San Franci

LOCAL NEWS.

Ja[illegible] Burger has received his final naturalization papers

J N Campbell of Tully township was in the city Saturday

Elmer W Yates and Mollie Kate Sells were licensed to marry

Charles Shupp of Mansfield was in the city Monday on business

John Wentz of Mansfield was in the city Sunday visiting friends

Fred Hays of Ashland was in the city Monday transacting business

D S Jones left for Louisville, Ky, Monday evening on a short trip

E H Tristram and Emerson Domtauga Sundayed in the Garden City

Hoodman Blind was a good play it was well acted but cut off rather short

Signs of the time Young men preparing to leave the parental roof Christmas

N G Miller administrator of the estate of John Miller, filed second account

And again the boys are compelled to tread the Berwick pike in search of what?

Mike Clary and Pat Drake bought the rink which was sold at Sheriff's sale Monday

Mrs J P Tenseumayer left Saturday for Columbus to spend the holidays with her parents

I N Mason of Prospect was in the city Saturday visiting friends and transacting business

[illegible] and Alt McNeal and Dana Weeks have returned from Wooster University to spend the holidays

[illegible] one of the night policemen [illegible] man as was ever on the force was down sick last week

[illegible] New Year's eve a most elegant [illegible] will be held at Music Hall given under the auspices of the Art Club

Wil Springer is now clerking at the C H V and T since the Erie Express has ceased running on the C and A

W A Tarney who had been confined to his home the past few days past by sickness is again able to attend to business

Carpenters began work on the new creamery on west Canal street Friday and they are pushing it as fast as possible

I Goldstein manager of the Chicago Clothing company was away attending the funeral of his mother who died Sunday

Harry Spencer of the Black Diamond left Monday for Gallion to transact business in the interest of the Black Diamond system

During the month of November the earnings of the Chicago and Atlantic road amounted to $152,472 same month in 1885 $115,[illegible]

[illegible] Underwood has so far recovered from his recent illness as to go on a short [illegible] visiting visit to his former home in [illegible]ville O

—In Probate court, Saturday Tongu[illegible] who was charged with stealing a bolt, was fined $5 and costs and was committed to jail until fine was paid

[illegible] fine sleighing of the past two days [illegible] taken advantage of by the boys [illegible] the girls have enjoyed the pleasures of the first sleigh ride

[illegible] one of the Erie express messengers [illegible] has gone to his home in Newport [illegible] developements in the C and A [illegible] Express Co fight

The C and A was compelled to secure [illegible] Hocking Valley engines Saturday to [illegible] of the 600 cars on the C and A at this point Saturday evening

T B Thew of the firm of Thew & Son [illegible] this morning to consult Dr [illegible], of [illegible] O for treatment for cancer which has been afflicting him for years

[illegible] Challaw of New York gave a [illegible] lecture in Music Hall Sunday evening His lecture was largely attended and heartily appreciated by those present

[illegible] is it that a car shop will be the next enterprise to locate in the city We have learned nothing authentic on this [illegible] and [illegible] the report for what it is worth

No penalty will be added to the tax of [illegible] tax payers for the present Treasurer Dickson with his usual disposition to accommodate has extended the time [illegible]

L E Davis general agent of the Peerless [illegible] and Mower company came up from Delaware Monday to settle up with his Marion county agents He reports a very satisfactory year's business

I W Orvis son of our [illegible] Orvis of this city was elected to the Colorado Legislature by the republican party [illegible] When boys are trained up right [illegible] will not depart from early teaching

Mrs Richardson left for New York [illegible] Sunday morning to attend the wedding of [illegible] which event will take place [illegible] After the ceremony the [illegible] will come on to Marion to visit [illegible] parents Mr and Mrs Richardson

When Engineer Andrews cut his hand Saturday at the stave mill Ed Fields the [illegible] laughed at him for his awkward[illegible] On Monday Ed caught his hand in [illegible] the same manner receiving an ugly wound but it was not so serious but what he kept on at work

[illegible] is given the Pittsburg Marion [illegible] Railway Co stockholders that [illegible] will be held at New Lisbon O [illegible] 1887 to consider the advisability [illegible] the capital stock to $[illegible]00,000 [illegible] indicate that the [illegible] is by no means dead and it may [illegible] hustle for territory

[illegible] Council No 3[illegible] Royal Ar[illegible] meeting Thursday evening [illegible] following officers for the ensuing year [illegible] Roberts Vice Regent [illegible] Orator Isaac Shupp Secretary [illegible] Collector W H [illegible] Harry True Chap[illegible] Guide Wm Smith [illegible] Sentry Philip Bauer [illegible] J C Markert and M [illegible] Representative to Grand [illegible] Crawford Alternate T R [illegible] Installation of officers will take place Thursday evening Jan 6 1887

—Dr T A Mouser was over from Larue today

—Galion thinks she has struck gas and oil and struck it hard

—Miss Olive Barnhart contemplates spending the winter in Delaware

—Over 1300 west bound cars between Kent and Salamanca for the C and A

—Miss Chattie Harding returned from Springfield today after a three weeks visit

—Will F Topping of Ashland was in the city today transacting business and visiting friends

—Weinberger Bros & Co will put a full force on the manufacture of overalls after the holidays

—The N Y P and O is daily supplying the C and A with about 300 cars of west bound freight

The C and A is rushed with work and the prospects at the present time are more flattering than ever

—Tax paying was unusually brisk Monday Those who feared the penalty stood and waited their turns

J D Gregory informed the STAR this morning that they expect to start up the new mill next Monday

—Clay Sharpless began his new dwelling on Greenwood street today A full force will hurry it to completion

—Miss Ida Barnhart is organizing a class in painting and is ready to teach any who are desirous of taking lessons

—The Hocking Valley will soon commence to increase its yard facilities here by laying a number of extra tracks

Squire Payne was in Morrow county Monday crossing swords in a legal combat with Bertrand Andrews of Mt Gilead

—Treasurer Dickson received about $10 000 at the treasury department Monday This isn't a bad showing for Marion county

—Walt Mackin is making the rounds in Policeman Tannon's place Walt ought to make a good night officer for he is accustomed to being up late

—Will Kennedy was presented with an early Christmas gift in a twelve-pound boy by Mrs Kennedy and Grandpa W P Holverstott is happy over another grandson

It is reported that the Salvation Army will soon come to Marion and endeavor to christianize the community The old skating rink has been rented for that purpose

—The C C C and I did not change time Sunday as reported We are inclined to believe that this report of a change of time on the Bee Line is becoming a chestnut

—Bellfontaine avenue boasts of the notoriety formerly accorded to Pearl street Boss Tweed is domiciled on that thoroughfare beyond the reach of the corporation officers

—It requires fifteen minutes to arrange the stage settings between acts 1 and 2 in Prisoner for Life This will be a great opportunity for the fellows that have a man to see

—A C Toepfert representing the Dueber Watch Case company was in the city Sunday and Monday transacting business and renewing acquaintances made some time ago

A fine gray horse was received by the American Express company at this point Tuesday morning for use in the transfer wagon This is intended as a Christmas to the boys and they greatly appreciate it

—An opening of the rink is promised for Christmas This will keep many at home who would have otherwise gone to Prospect for there is a determination to enjoy a glide on the rollers

—The Big Six orchestra of this city have announced their intentions of giving a ball at Little Sandusky O on New Year's eve Lovers of the dance of this place may find it enjoyable to encourage this venture of the orchestra boys

—The Marion Creamery company organized last Saturday electing I Huber president B Kanable secretary and general manager J C Markert treasurer and the above named gentlemen with R Hopkins and George Myers as directors

—Twas on a still night that two of our young men early sought the repose they so much needed when through the confines of a thin partition the following remark was wafted to us in agonized tones Jiminey Christmas who put all these tacks in in the bed

—Some action should be taken by the city authorities in regard to the condition of the sidewalks at this time of the year Several cases have been reported where young ladies have fallen on the hard pavements and by mere accidents have escaped injury The council should awaken to the fact that something should be done in regard to this matter

A party of young people from the country while driving down east Center street Sunday evening had a narrow escape The horses they were driving became frightened at some supposed object [illegible] and then ran at a frightful rate [illegible] horses were stopped before they had done any damage and the occupants of the sleigh received [illegible] great fright

Engineer Andrews of the Field Bros stave mill [illegible] at the [illegible] his left hand very severely early last Saturday He was running the machine in the absence of the sawyer and caught his fingers in the saw ripping it badly and making a very unsightly wound Either from the loss of blood or the shock Andrews fainted three times on the way to his home

—A pleasant party of young ladies and gentlemen met at the Episcopal rectory Monday evening and organized the Marion Dramatic and Literary Club The purposes of [illegible] organization [illegible] entertainment and reading the plays of Shakespeare We extend our congratulations to the new club and should they come before the public [illegible] they will have a liberal patronage

—The roller rink will on Saturday afternoon and evening be opened we presume for the last time Those who desire to take one farewell skate should improve the opportunity and then prepare themselves for the coming of the Salvation Army The history of the rink since it was first erected has been one of peculiar interest, and the purpose for which it will be used in a few weeks will help redeem its sobriquet of "Hell on Wheels."

—Considerable amusement [illegible] Monday evening for the small [illegible] and the large ones too for that matter in seeing a drunken man reel stagger and fall upon the cold pavement A better occupation for these lads could possibly be found if they were disposed to improve it

—An angry despute between two Marion citizens took place Monday evening in one of our stores and it was only by the intervention of friends that a fight was averted The cause was most trivial as is the case in most of these misunderstandings and the cool head in all such cases deserves and gets the credit for not engaging in useless frays

The school house in the Luke Lenox district Bowling Green tp was burned down last Saturday night It is thought that the fire was incendiary One of the windows at the back end of the house was open and there were tracks from the window into the road leading to [illegible] The house was frame and there was nothing saved except a part of the books Exchange

Mike Clary wishes to inform the youngsters that live in the vicinity of the rink that unless they cease throwing stones at his property and breaking the windows of the rink he will have every one caught arrested Already nearly every window light in the rink has been broken and Mr Clary is determined to put an immediate stop to this plan of the small boys daily exercise

—Kelly Mount of the North Lewisburg Free Press says Marion is all agog over the proposed Black Diamond railroad which it is expected will enter its portals at an early date This will make the fifth railroad for Marion and still she is not satisfied Marion will doubtless become a great railroad center in time and be to Ohio what Indianapolis is to Indiana Lettergogallagher

Messrs Geo D Copeland Frank Harshberger C A Moore D R Crissinger G S McGuire James Jacoby and E K Uhler were at Caledonia attending the public installation of the officers of the lodge of Masons at that place After the work was performed the brethren repaired to the elegant home of George Ault and participated in as fine a feast as the place ever knew The good time was shared by all

—What might have proven a very serious accident took place at the C and A Sunday afternoon The accident which befel the young man from Huntington a week ago last Sunday did not seem to make rail way employes more careful of their lives The subject of this article whose name we are unable to learn was in the act of making a coupling when the train came slowly toward him He was unaware of its stealthy approach and was caught between the drawbars before he was aware of the approach of the train His cries for help and the slowness with which the train was moving saved his life As soon as the engineer heard his cries of agony he reversed the engine and extricated the young man from his perilous position Medical assistance was summoned and he was pronounced out of danger

Officers Elected

At the fourth annual meeting of the Marion County Farmers Institute the following officers were elected

President W T Owen
Vice President Josephus Monnett
Secretary G F Lawrence
Treasurer James Church

Following are the Vice Presidents of the townships

Marion—B Cusic and Bonner Merchant
Big Island—Horrace Cookston
Montgomery—J F Marsh and Link Morral
Grand—Wilson Peters
Salt Rock—M H Rhodes
Grand Prairie—W F Harvey
Scott W H Eikens
Tully—J N Campbell
Claridon—P W Holverstott and M C Aye
Richland J F Waddle
Pleasant Joseph Kleinfelter
Green Camp David Vestal
Prospect—Frank Gast
Bowling Green—W F Denman
Waldo Harvey Kenyon

There will be a meeting in the Board of Agriculture room at 1 p m January 8 87 and all officers are expected to be present

Wm Brockley Pres
C S Lippincott Sec

Hoodman Blind

The Hoodman Blind company which played at Music Hall Saturday night was greeted by a fair sized audience The opening act did not possess any attractive features but the second third and fourth acts did credit to the company A great portion of the scenery could not be put on the stage which detracted considerably from its effects upon the audience The moral which the play teaches is very beautiful and if some of the gossips of Marion could be prevailed upon to take a lesson from its teachings many a misconstruction would be avoided

The cast was exceptionally strong and the characters well acted Jack Yeulett and Ben Chibbles were the leading characters while Nance as Jack Yeulett's wife and also her impersonation of Liz Lendon brought down the house

The troupe left for Chicago Saturday evening where they fill a week's engagement

The New Davis Exhibition at Waldo

Mr Chas F Wyatt has located a permanent sewing machine agency in Waldo and treated the citizens of that vicinity last week to a very fine exhibition of needle work executed on the New High Arm Vertical Feed Davis machine The exhibition was under the management of Miss DeGroat and Mr C A [illegible] of Cleveland and consisted of about one hundred and fifty pieces of work worth at least $1000 The entire wall space of the [illegible] Hall was tastefully adorned with draperies of all kinds, lambrequins [illegible] and plush curtains table scarfs and covers lamp and fire screens wall banners pockets etc made of the richest materials and executed in the highest style of art Mr Wyatt exhibited fifteen machines and his talented assistants instructed many of the delighted visitors in the manner of executing these facinating designs on the New Davis

SHUFFLED

LIFE ENDED BY THE MORPHINE ROUTE

John Debolt a Former Marion County Man Swallows the Drug and Dies Your Love Has Been the Cause of My Death

[Delaware Gazette]

For who to dumb forgetfulness a prey,
This pleasing anxious being ere resigned,
Left the warm precincts of the cheerful day,
Nor cast one longing, lingering look behind

It seems that Olive Green has furnished one of the kind of men that the poet seems to think rather rare The neighborhood and surrounding country are all excitement over the suicide of John Debolt He came to Olive Green December 1st in company with his uncle and family who had been residing previous to this in Waldo Marion county O It appears that Debolt who is 38 years of age had been deeply infatuated with his cousin who is a widow and lives in the family He became jealous of the attentions of some of the young men and threatened on several occasions to kill himself but nothing was thought of it as the family supposed he only made these threats to terrify the girl On last Thursday he went into the office of Dr Foster and told the Doctor that he was in the habit of taking morphine the result of an attack of typhoid fever several years ago The Doctor asked him how much he took and he (Debolt) showed him a reasonable dose The Doctor not suspecting anything dosed him out ten grains of morphine this he took some time during the day and it was discovered some time after dark but too late The deadly drug had taken its effect and King morphine held him in his fatal embrace He died Friday morning Dec 10th about 5 o clock

His father and brother were summoned by telegraph and arrived Sunday evening from their home in Indiana and will bury him in the Kingston Centre burying ground His brother in an interview with your correspondent, states that on several occasions he had feigned to be dying and so when he told the family that he had poisoned himself they supposed he was deceiving them again and made no active efforts to restore him

He left a ring enclosed in the following letter

Olive Green Ohio

Here to all, are my reasons for my death For one I have been brutally deceived Feeling all the time that I had found one in whom I could put perfect confidence and one who dearly loved me but how bitter were my feelings when I found she had no love for me at all I have often confessed my love to her and told her my last drop of blood I could shed for her and tonight I prove it to the world Oh why has my brain been so racked or why did I love her so God gave me this heart and thanks to Him for one so pure and true I love none else on earth and never can consequently my love takes my life tonight Oh my God forgive her and may she learn that true love will kill I have not the least ill feeling toward any one and my love is burning in me for my dear girl to night Oh I could call her back but only at the judgment bar of God will I meet her Then will she be able to answer such questions as may be asked by the Judge Oh how I hate to take my own life but my brain is on fire Now darling farewell Your love has been the cause of my death yet I forgive you and may God forgive you Oh dear one did you ever think of my answer and is it true that you did not love me? Oh when cold in the grave I lie then think of these words Yonder in the cold grave lies one who gave his life for me Now darling I leave this ring with you may you ever wear it in remembrance of your most sincere lover JOHNNIE

A PLUCKED ROSE

J W Rose, of Delaware, Relieved of $54 in Hard Cash at the Hocking Valley Depot Friday Night

J W Rose a farmer living in the vicinity of Delaware was robbed of $54 Friday evening at the C, H V and T depot

Rose came up from Delaware on the 5 54 train from the south and as he stepped from the platform of the car on the landing he felt a slight pull in his pants pocket Not paying much attention to this at the time he walked on down town when he reached in his pocket to pay a bill and found that the pocketbook was missing

In the same pocket he had $1 50 in change which the thief did not take (We suppose he didn t wish to trifle with small matters)

Rose is a hard working farmer and had borrowed a small amount of money from his father, which he had intended to repay and was on his way to his father's home when he had the money stolen from him He had at first intended to go direct to his father's home and pay the debt which he owed him but thinking that he could facilitate matters by coming to Marion first he met his fate and now mourns his loss

No clue to the thief has yet been had but it is very unlikely that any information concerning the pick pocket will be had

Mr Rose returned home Saturday, to ponder over his loss and we suppose that in the future he will be more careful as to the disposition of his money

COURT HOUSE BUSINESS

JOURNAL ENTRIES

J A Rice administrator vs John Evans civil action damages Continued

Robert Hopkins administrator of the estate of Jacob Brunstetter deceased vs the New York Pennsylvania and Ohio Railway company civil action damages Judge instructed jury to return a verdict for defendant which was done Motion was made for a new trial

William L Moore Thomas J Moore and Charles A Moore partners doing business under the firm name of Moore Bros vs Catharine Tiley and John S Tiley civil action It was considered by the court that the plaintiffs recover of the defendants the sum of $327 6[illegible]

The Cannon Ball

Mr A B Paul writes the STAR a letter from Coshocton enclosing lists of subscriptions and other facts that tend to show that the Cannon Ball project is by no means dead Really the Mt Vernon Coshocton and Wheeling seems to be booming remarkably in the vicinity of Coshocton and it is about as lively a railroad corpse as one sees [illegible]

An interest is awakened and the people are tendering the aid asked for which is ask [illegible] there is a free right of way and $5000 per mile Mr Paul sifts the matter down to one sentence and says the only trouble with Marion is that our leading business men utterly refused to make an effort because the line was not changed to suit their individual preferences

Liberal Donations

The Marion Relief Association has received two donations during the week One of [illegible] from a secret order and [illegible] each from a lady and a gentleman We hope we may be enabled to wisely use the means so generously placed at our disposal

MRS E G ALLEN Pres't
MRS J KELLEY Sec'y

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POINTS AND POINTERS

The Salvation Army with the tambourine the bass drum and all the paraphernalia that usually attends a campaign is surely coming Information to that effect has been received by different parties in the city and a contract is at present existing between the coming captain and those who own the old rink

Our citizens may expect to be regaled with choice sparkling music and to be prayed for in a much different manner than is the custom among other denominations

It would be ungenerous to say one word against the Salvationists their methods etc and if the people find that they can worship God in a much better manner by joining the Salvation Army there will be none that will gainsay them Let them come and we will be glad to see all the old sinners in the ranks swinging the tambourine

More weddings more feasting more joy this is usually the cry at this season of the year and we can take pleasure in informing the public that this year will not prove an exception to years past Marriage is a pleasant thing to contemplate we suppose that is of course without a divorce suit attached However this little part never frightens an expectant bride or a longing groom and marriage we suppose will always have its charms

Well said the STAR to a well known railway official this morning what has become of the Black Diamond [illegible] do you know?

Well said the railroad official I am at a loss to know what to say upon that point The subject struck Marion so suddenly and with such violence and force that I don't know just what to say upon the question It seems to have died down quite as quickly as it was sprung upon the people but doubtless this was principally owing to the fact that $20 000 was asked at the first jump You see Colonel Boone sprung it [illegible] upon the citizens of Marion [illegible] that [illegible] He didn't give them time to reflect [illegible] think He left the gates of Marion quite as quickly as he had entered them and hasn't [illegible] been heard from since

Colonel Boone may be a worker of the first water [illegible] he may be a rusher but I never saw any man rush through business in the manner which he did here It would pay the Colonel to spend a few days among Marion people and learn the prevailing opinion among business men I don't believe the Colonel stayed here a day and what on earth can a man expect from a day's labor The Colonel should come to Marion stay a week two weeks if necessary and work up the proper amount of enthusiasm among those who would be benefitted by the railroad If this isn't done Colonel Boone and the Black Diamond can whistle for its $20 000 or even half that sum It will take work to raise $20 000 in Marion county

A Prospective Law Suit

A prospective law suit between the commissioners and the municipality is now scented by lawyers in the act of the corporation in cutting off the dump which the commissioners placed in the city sewer when the new court house was completed

It appears that the commissioners took unto themselves the power to disregard the laws of the corporation in regard to certain ordinances relating to the emptying of cess pools into the public sewer

A large vault was built by the commissioners when the court house was completed not over five feet distant from the beginning of the sewer and a pipe laid from the vault leading into the sewer Since the court house has been opened all the excrement has been emptied into the sewer The city informed the commissioners that unless they ceased draining the vault into the sewer they would see that it was No heed was given the request of the city, and on Tuesday the street commissioner cut off the pipe leading from the vault into the sewer

The city has had considerable experience with the drainage of filth and as was demonstrated several years ago much sickness and death resulted from the same

The incomplete system of sewerage that the city now has will not permit such drainage until at least, a sewer system is established to the Scioto The commissioners have overstepped the bounds of their jurisdiction and have taken onto themselves a power which does not belong to them

A county commissioner may be a power but there are always limits to all assumptions

A Pleasant Gathering

The fifth anniversary of the marriage of Rev W E Thomas and wife was duly celebrated at the parsonage of the Presbyterian church Monday evening

About two hundred people assembled at the parsonage and after congratulating Rev Thomas and wife the entire party repaired to the Sunday School rooms of the church and passed a few delightful hours A number of most appropriate presents were given Mr and Mrs Thomas and at a late hour the entire party broke up all wishing Rev Thomas and wife a happy voyage over the next five years of their married life

Winter Tours via Bee Line

The Bee Line has now on sale to all of the principal winter resorts of the South, Texas California and Mexico round trip tourist tickets at greatly reduced rates from those in affect last season Tours to suit your pleasure can be arranged for through any ticket agent of the C C C and I Ry, I and St L Ry or D and U R R Tickets are good returning until June 1st 1887 and permit of many privileges not usually allowed on through tickets On certain dates each month during the winter season special excursion tickets to San Francisco and Los Angeles, Cal will be sold at but a slight advance over one fare for the round trip good returning at pleasure within 6 months from date of sale with the additional privilege of long extension in return limit, if desired Choice of routes also allowed. Bee Line agents will take pleasure in giving full information upon application.

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THIS much is certain about the Black Diamond railroad, the road is contracted for to join the C and A Local help was necessary to make the bonds negotiable, and from Fredericktown to Mt Gilead, inclusive, that help has been pledged Marion is the proper point at which to strike the C and A and the company is well aware of this fact Local aid is asked but local business men regard the demand too heavy This is probably the case, and granting this, is it not reasonable to suppose that other terms can be secured? The road is well worth getting and some of those most directly interested can take steps in the proper direction to get it A visit to Zanesville will settle any doubt about good faith, for that place is the head quarters of the road Having been satisfied as to the intentions of the company, let Marion's case then be stated If the plea of our poverty is reasonable the directors will likely reduce the subscriptions, possibly only ask the right of way. A little work will result in some good to Marion We have slept long enough

THE entering wedge has been inserted by the present House of Representatives for the consideration of rebel claims by the passage of the bill to pay a quarter of a million dollars to the McMinnville and Manchester railroad company in Tennessee for the destruction of that road in 1862 The facts are the road was a rebel property and was destroyed by the rebels themselves, and afterwards repaired and equipped by the Federal government for the use of their armies Thirty nine republicans voted with the democrats, though the bill was vigorously opposed by Judge Geddes, D, Chairman of the Committee on War Claims. It is in the Senate now, where we hope it will be promptly killed

METHODS are being inaugurated for tinkering with the Dow law, by temperance people, some identified with the prohibition party, the intention being to petition the Legislative for an amendment to the law, so that it will provide for county, township, municipal and ward prohibition, upon a vote of the qualified electors These proposed amendments are antagonized on the ground that the law, as it now stands declared constitutional by the Supreme court, should be given time, by practical working, to show its worth, and the advice is given, and should be received as sound, that the measure for the present should be let alone

THE lynching of William Mussel in such a respectable city as Eaton, O, is a pointer for Justice Four previous murders in Preble county were not avenged by law in the usual process and the good people of Eaton thought the murder of old man Christman too horrible for the fiend to be left in the uncertain hands of the written laws Lynching scrapes are to be deplored but cases like this one can be looked upon without any fear

THE jury in the Colin Campbell divorce case, London, England has returned a verdict, and therefrom it may be presumed that Lord Colin Campbell is innocent, Lady Colin Campbell is innocent, the Duke of Marlborough is innocent, and that it was all a great game of innocence, notwithstanding the foul stench surrounding it

A GREAT deal of talk is current over Congressman Reagan's bath taken while Bill Morrison's bill was being voted on The rarity of a congressman bathing, especially one from Texas makes the occasion one of peculiar singularity, but if the custom should happen to become prevalent it will do much good

MR MATTHEWS, the colored man who succeeded Fred Douglass as recorder of deeds at Washington, is said to have cleared $20,000 above the expenses of his office since his appointment The colored man and brother seems to be getting along pretty well under the circumstances

As an explanation why red was the prevailing color with the Salvation Army, General Booth says, "It grew on us" The General should be more explicit, as suspicion may get abroad that the first attack is upon the ever vulnerable nose

THE bustle has at last received the attention of the Government A woman has been arrested by the customs officers at Tampa, Florida who wore a bustle made of tin, in which was found a gallon of fine Cuban rum

McQUADE accepted a bribe of $10000 while an alderman in the metropolis and after conviction the court fines him $5000 and gives him seven years in Sing Sing Thus it is that boodling does not always pay

PUCK has discovered that Shakespeare did not originate Romeo and Juliet It is a true story as found in the files of the Verona Daily Chronicle in 1402

THERE is a cool atmosphere in the vicinity of Cleveland when the Board of Education of that city hasn't something on hand to agitate it

REPORTS are rife that the liquor makers and the liquor sellers of the state will put $150,000 into the campaign next year to elect two democratic judges to to succeed Judges [illegible] and Dickman who will hold the Dow law unconstitutional. If the liquor men have good business sense they will attempt nothing of the kind. There is a very general opinion that the Scott law was just and the Scott Dow law meets with general approval. If the liquor men go too far in their attempt to control elections and influence legislation they may expect a spirited opposition not only from people of pronounced temperance views but also from those who while they have liberal ideas as to the liquor traffic, nevertheless are opposed to the liquor element dominating [illegible] in favor of regulating the traffic. Before making their war against the Dow law the liquor men had better consider the case carefully.

For several years Westchester county, New York, has been noted as the tramps paradise because of meals furnished the nomadic fraternity by the Sheriff at the county's expense. The [illegible] asked the racket bird and the consequent increase of taxation has led to the adoption of a plan to convert the [illegible] into a place of torture. A house is being builded in which the tramps are to be confined as soon as they cross into the county and the arrangement is such that the lazy devils must work or be submerged in water. Anarchists have denounced the plan, alleging that tramps are made by oppressive capital, an allegation, by the way, that shows just what an anarchist knows about what he talks

THE Cleveland Press is very brief in its sensible advice on the Dow law as follows: 'The Dow law is pronounced constitutional. The majority of Ohioans desired, expected and are satisfied with this decision. Fanatics on both sides of the liquor question will not be satisfied but they will have to swallow the medicine just the same. Sensible dealers will now pay their tax. A few [illegible] engaged in the traffic will continue to fatten lawyers and agitate. A ready compliance with the demands of this Dow law would knock the life out of the prohibition movement in Ohio. Saloonists, pay your tax as soon as the Lord will let you!"

IN a suit against the B and O Telegraph Company for negligence, to deliver a message in proper time the St Louis Circuit court found the company liable to damages, though a stipulation is printed on the back of its papers to the purport that 'the company cannot be held liable for mistakes or delays in the transmission and delivery of unrepeated messages whether happening through the negligence of its servants or otherwise. The court held that the stipulation was against public policy and found for the plaintiff

THE boldness of robberies nowadays is a startling affair and the notorious James Boys are left away in the shade At Minneapolis Minn Wednesday three robbers drove up in front of a jewelry store, smashed the plate glass, grabbed several thousand dollars worth of diamonds and drove away safely despite the throng on the streets and the police so near at hand

IT seems to be human nature to guard against spitting in cuspadors We thought the custom of squirting between them was exclusively one in our new court house but we see that the congressmen have spit so freely on the floors and through brass screens in the hall of the lower house that a big contract has been let for cleaning and renovating the place

WITH the Negley project alive and kicking the Cannon ball coming on the eastern division and Toone's Black Diamond working with a determination to succeed Marion has fair prospects of getting at least one railroad Nevertheless it will not do to be too independent Marion can afford to give reasonable aid to the first one to take a positive step toward building

FOR the accommodation of over sensitive natures some enterprising manager should introduce a ballet in which the dancers wear ulsters The poetry of motion might not be exemplified but the ballet would be proper enough to satisfy the most finical

THE STAR is unfit for the purpose of well paid legal advertising but the merchants patronize us quite liberally The merchants of Marion and Sam [illegible] Dodds commissioner and expounder of law evidently see through different glasses

THE best feature of the Dow law is that it is weeding out the worst dives all over Ohio It is the hell holes with a few dollars stock that do the greatest damage [illegible] saloons and the [illegible] lives the [illegible]

MORRISON is inclined to call up his bill the third time though strongly urged [illegible] by some of his friends Morrison seems to know what he is doing [illegible] though it [illegible] him [illegible] [illegible]

DISCUSSION of the [illegible] ticket is still going on and even some ministers of the Gospel seem to enjoy it—the discussion of course

A T STEWART'S BETTER NATURE

He Had a Great Deal of Heart After All—A Couple of Stories

In talking with a gentleman the other day about the late A T Stewart the Saunterer was somewhat surprised to hear his friend say that the millionaire had a great deal of heart after all, and that the cold selfish monster that he has often been represented to be [illegible] mind of his own, was one of the [illegible] [illegible] during the conversation he was capable of doing a good many generous acts 'I had occasion to [illegible] him once or twice on charitable errands and I found him very courteous and obliging though wide awake and anxious to be fully informed on the subject discussed

Once I went to see him about a poor honest and well meaning fellow who had failed three times and I was deeply in his debt I said that he was anxious to start again and that he had great prospects of success 'Nonsense' replied Mr Stewart 'He has no head for business, and I cannot do anything more for him' Other topics were then introduced, and as I was about leaving I remarked, "Well shall I send D to see you?" 'Hold on a minute' answered the cautious trader 'let me see how much I have given away in charity this month' He then turned to a note book and said 'Yes tell him to come up' The consequence was that he started the man again and a short time after went down to his shop and presented him with a receipted bill for the amount of goods he had purchased, saying as he did so 'D did you leave your brains in Ireland?' 'No, sir,' was the rejoinder 'I brought them here' 'Then try and use them or jump overboard' murmured the merchant prince as he went out of the door

On another occasion I was deputed to ask his assistance for one of his employes who was sick by a charitable society of which I was a member Mr Stewart knew nothing about him except that he was one of the hundreds of people whom he hired I stated the case, and Mr Stewart said it was a hard one, and immediately gave me $100 to be used at discretion for the man's benefit, stipulating however that he was not to be known in the matter at all and he subsequently gave to the society another $100 for the same purpose He did more than this for he paid the man his full wages all the time he was sick" "Perhaps" said the Saunterer, at the conclusion of this narrative "that this helped him through the needle's eye into heaven —Boston Budget "Saunterer

Story of Col James A. Mulligan

Col James A Mulligan, whose heroic defense of Lexington made him immortal who only surrendered when forced to it by the pangs of thirst and starvation and long after all hope from Fremont had been abandoned, was a man of a marked character When the war broke out he was state's attorney from Chicago and gave promise of speedily rising to the very height of his profession He was tall dark with large, brown eyes tender and poetical, a fine figure, an intellectual head, and a winning face He was a natural orator, forcible, impetuous full of feeling and enthusiasm, and one that swept the emotions of his listeners with the force of a whirlwind

Nearly three years after the Lexington incident he visited me, bringing with him a cabinet photograph of himself with his autograph which he presented to me He was on his way to resume command of his division then in Virginia After a pleasant chat he rose to go, and, as we were shaking hands I said to him in a jocular vein

Colonel let me impress upon you the necessity of your giving the right of way to any shell or cannon ball which may happen to be traveling in your direction"

A grave solemn expression came into his eyes and as a light shown over his face as with deep earnestness, he said

I have no fear the shell or bullet that will strike me has never been molded

'Why, what do you mean?

Well, you know that after the battle of Lexington I was paroled, and it was many months before I again entered the service During that period as you know I delivered a good many lectures, the proceeds of which were devoted to the support of orphans Every day these orphans are praying for my safety and happiness and I know that their prayers will be an effective protection against every danger'

He rejoined his command Within a fortnight after I saw him he led his troops into action and was mortally wounded, his last words being a patriotic utterance that has passed into song and history Some of his staff had taken hold of him to assist him to a point out of the line of fire, when his dimmed eyes saw that the colors were in danger of capture Lay me down and save that flag was the last order of the gallant young soul —'Polituto in Chicago Times

Scheme to Tax Pianos

A new and strange crusade is being preached in Paris, where just now it is sought to turn a source of nuisance into a source of revenue Pianophobia has declared itself virulently in the most unexpected quarters M Reyer, who is a member of the Institute and himself a composer of no mean ability, has drawn up a bill which, if passed, will bring into the treasury some 9 000 000f or 10 000,000f His idea is to tax pianos As a nuisance they have lately got beyond all limits in Paris

M Reyer speaks pathetically of what he and his fellow countrymen have suffered from arrangements of "Guillaume Tell or The Huguenots,' and says indeed with some truth that such performances have stifled music as an art He proposes that 20f a year be paid as a license for the use of each piano the tax however only applying to the capital There are to be exemptions from its incidence Governesses and persons who derive their incomes from the study of music have not to pay the tax and special cases may be made for relief from it If M Reyer's suggestion is not carried out it is proposed to make the playing of a piano in a room with an open window liable to a fine Paris does not in this case hesitate to take a hint from Germany —Pall Mall Gazette

A Little Boy's Faith

At a certain country church it was decided by the members to assemble together at a given time to pray for rain, which was badly needed for the growing crops At the appointed hour the people began to gather and one little fellow came trudging up with an umbrella almost as big as himself What did you bring that for youngster? some one asked with a smile So's I wouldn't get wet going home was the confident reply It is safe to say that no one else in the large gathering had come similarly provided

Geronimo in Captivity

To all appearance whether Geronimo [illegible] in the belief that fate has [illegible] [illegible] four [illegible] at [illegible] and seven lived so well in them [illegible] [illegible] in I has the squaw [illegible] [illegible] costume [illegible] [illegible] been [illegible] the bucks were all [illegible] apron [illegible] cloth and [illegible] head gear [illegible] Is black [illegible] protect them from the effects of [illegible] storm Since their arrival they [illegible] even togged out in most gor[illegible]

Geronimo wore a pair of cowhide [illegible] into which his white cotton [illegible] tucked His copper colored body was covered with a [illegible] shirt He and his followers always wear their shirts Chinese fashion and no matter what else they may wear they never fail to don the breech cloth which [illegible] at it will show beneath the shirt Around his neck was a horsehair chain, and suspended to it was a silver crescent In order to show his visitors that he did not carry all his clothes on his back he disappeared for a few moments within his tent when he emerged he wore a short sack coat buttoned up to the chin with three different kinds of buttons and a [illegible] trimmed felt hat He looked [illegible] than he had before, he accepted a silver dollar with a very vile smile and showed that he was not ungrateful by making his visitors a present at last of equal value He also shook hands at short intervals —Chicago Herald

Preserving Their Family Names

There have of late been frequent allusions in the newspapers to the propriety of married women preserving their family names as middle names There has been quite a general expression favorable to their doing so and the fact that the president's wife signs her name Frances Folsom Cleveland and Mrs Ulysses Grant Sr (General Grant's widow) signs hers Julia Dent Grant and her son's wife Mrs Fred Grant signs hers Ida Honore Grant,' is quoted to give their examples as a further argument in favor of the practice But this, it seems, is far from being wholly a matter of fashion, as many women seem to suppose It has a legal side, and a real estate agent in Washington who has lately suffered much from the results of the whims of some of his feminine clients in changing their names at will without taking any steps to legalize the changes and yet affixing the revised names to deeds of sale of real estate has been commenting with some severity upon the practice —Washington Cor Harper's Bazar

Reports of Newspaper Circulation

There is no public faith in the accuracy of the daily reports of newspaper circulation which have been published in many journals Even when sworn to they are not believed, for the reason that they may be honestly sworn to and yet be largely false Any number of papers may be printed and distributed and sworn to as circulation, but how many are returned? how many are not sent to bona fide readers? If the cash payments for circulation were honestly sworn to the honest circulation would be reached but no newspaper has ever attempted that only honest test of bona fide readers Purchases by political committees, special sales to advertisers, which are often made at nominal prices to give the appearance of circulation specimen papers sent free through canvassers or by mail to introduce the paper bear no relation to bona fide newspaper circulation, and journals which specially force and boost circulation always withhold from their public figures the large percentage of papers not read or paid for —Philadelphia Times

Hygienic Treatment of Disease.

A great advantage in the hygienic treatment of disease is that it does not, or at least need not interfere with sound and experience proved modes of treatment of a medicinal kind The scientific physician finds, in fact that there is always a consistent plan for combining the medicinal and hygienic systems He sees that the two systems are one, he sees, further that the mere medicinal plan without the hygienic is in all cases imperfect and in some cases worse than imperfect The practical details of hygienic medicine in relation to the treatment of disease have however, yet to be wrought out more fully This will be sure work, but necessarily slow because it is hard to give up old friendships in dogmatism, while to effect a cure in a sick man by fresh air alone, or diet, is infinitely less satisfactory to the public than to assume to effect the same cure even by a bread pill —Dr Richardson in Popular Science Monthly

Mr Gladstone's Fighting Qualities.

Men say he never fights better than when the battle is desperate With a courage born of the most complete conviction that stopped at no risk and no labor with an alertness that took in the whole field with an eloquence which dazzled even his enemies like a very Cœur de Lion he fought almost single handed the unequal fight At odd times looking at him it would seem wholly beyond his physical powers Close at hand his face is marked indeed, with the lines and wrinkles of many campaigns and you see before you still an old man but you see also what at a distance you miss that the lines are the lines of endurance and hardy strength, more than of weakness and old age —Seth Low in Brooklyn Magazine

A Variety of Shooting

The sportsman of the northwest has no mutterings to make over his variety of shooting He can go into eastern Oregon and shoot prairie chicken and fish to his heart's content Within two hours' travel of the metropolis of the north Pacific coast he can shoot within twenty four hours elk bear panther deer grouse pheasant geese quail pigeon mallard, duck, widgeon canvasback gray duck, bluebill and snipe besides swan and sand hill crane —Portland Oregonian

Cost of Steamships

Over $100 000 000 was spent in building the 125 steamships plying between here and Europe They employ 18,750 men, spend $1 000 000 a month for coal carry 500 000 passengers a year and earn $22 000,000 for passage money, exclusive of what is paid for freight

A Poor Basis.

De po'est thing in dis worl' ter base yer hopes on is good looks De cuckle burr is green long arter de flower is dun killed by de frost —Arkansaw Traveler

THE SCIENCE OF BALDNESS

Bill Nye Gives Some Hints for Restoring the Hair

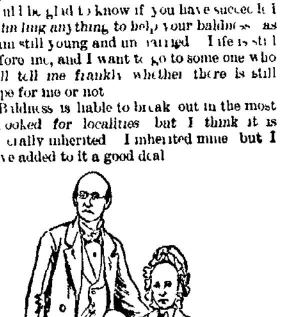
Elisha B Wherry Pattle Brook writes as follows

I am hardly 27 years old and yet I am almost entirely bald I have recently read in the Popular Science Monthly that baldness is very largely on the increase and that [illegible] fully 30 per cent of the men [illegible] at a concert or tragedy are more or less bald This number is largely increased it is said when the play gets more dash and [illegible] and the leading lady throws aside all reserve

The Popular Science Monthly says that by actual count there were present at Trinity church Boston, recently 243 men, of whom [illegible] were actually bald and 46 with [illegible] indications of baldness King's chapel [illegible] of whom 58 were actually bald and [illegible] bald and 14 on probation Hollis Street theatre orchestra Mikado performance [illegible] men—27 badly bald and 10 who thought they could still be bald or let alone Boston theatre Judic 196 men, of whom 31 were actually bald and 43 apprentices

This writer also says that baldness is most plentiful in New York and Boston Next Philadelphia and Washington after which comes Chicago and the western cities Can you tell me the cause of baldness and your theory as to its wonderful prevalence? I hope you will pardon me for writing you but I have learned casually that you sometimes dabble in science also in baldness I would be glad to know if you have succeeded in finding anything to help your baldness as I am still young and unmarried Life is still before me, and I want to go to some one who will tell me frankly whether there is still hope for me or not

Baldness is liable to break out in the most unlooked for localities but I think it is generally inherited I inherited mine but I have added to it a good deal



BALDNESS IS INHERITED

You may not think you have inherited your baldness and yet if you go back seven or eight generations and exhume your ancestors you will find that they are, in most cases totally bald

I have tried several preparations in my lifetime all of which were good for baldness and assisted it very much These remedies for the hairless are deemed to resemble each other in two particulars namely they were all expensive and all sticky Some smelled offensively when first applied while others were more successful after awhile For several years I dressed very plainly, Elisha using the balance of my income on the site of my former hair

As a result of this my bosom alternately hove with anticipation or fell with disappointment while my bangs remained unborn and my hat smelled like a volcanic eruption

Various people came to me with recipes for wooing the hair out of my glossy intellectual rind Among them there came to me a gentleman from England named Macrostic who claimed to have been royal taxidermist for nine years after which he had acted as chiropodist extraordinary for several years removing unicorns from the great and small He said that he could grow a waving crop of tresses on my bleak and barren brow for five pounds

He now has the five pounds and I still retain my broad sweep of brow

I cannot tell how you can empower your tall sleek forehead in rank wind tossed hair Elisha but I can tell you how you can save $500

Take your hair invigorator money and buy a town lot in a growing town that supports its home paper and advertises and goes ahead and you will find in twenty years that you will be well fixed, and a man who is well fixed don't care much whether he has any hair or not

I've seen men with long rich, wavy hair which fell in a glorious shower of dandruff on the collar of their overcoats who were just as unhappy as you or I, Elisha Hair alone cannot bring happiness I once knew a man who was very successful in deed and was finally made postmaster of his town and he had whiskers that he had to button inside his coat to keep them from brushing other people's eyes out, and he had hair to sell and yet when there came a change of administration, and a new president who hadn't an alma mater to lay his jaws to came along this hairy man was almost the first to fall

A wealth of hair is a good thing but the head was not made solely as a hot bed for the propagation of hair Baldness is one of the penalties of civilization Elisha Barbarians are never bald People who sleep in straw piles and eat their pastor always have all the hair they can manage Those who go on bar headed for generations and live on grasshoppers and acorns are never bald Plug hats late suppers and earnest thought are hard on the hair

I say this to comfort you, Elisha for I am married and I don't care —Bill Nye in Boston Globe

A Generous Boy

I have a true story which is well worth the telling Last Sunday a young clergyman from a young congregation preached by exchange to a congregation which is one of the set old fashioned undisturbed sort where the rising generation is under the [illegible] human nature is allowed for in a quiet and sensible way The visiting clergyman remained to the Sunday school and after the exercises were about half finished he rose to make a little speech I know that you are a rent uprising Sunday school he said because I see you have so many new books I know that you are a happy Sunday school because I see so many smiling faces around me And I know that you are a generous Sunday school because that little boy over there by the long pew door offered me a peanut as I came in

The attention of the assembly was instantly directed to the little boy who began to snicker uncontrollably to himself Well what's the matter my little man asked the clergyman You're not sorry you offered me the peanut, are you Did you think that was a peanut I gave you asked the little boy still snickering violently Why yes wasn't it? No —o—o! 'twas only a shell! —Burdette

LIGHT AND AIRY.

The Man That's Late.

On every road since railway trains
To turn their wheels began
And every station you will see
A solitary man

His brow is damp with beaded sweat,
His heart with woe is cleft
Most earnestly he wants to go
The man that's always left

If the train due at 1 p m
Should wait till half past eight
There'll be one man come down to go
Just thirty seconds late

—R J Burdette

Nothing Unusual.

Hotel Guest—Waiter, how is this? Yesterday desiring to make a present to my daughter at the dinner table, I put a $500 bill in a piece of cake and I told you to hand it to her

Hotel Waiter—Yes sah

'But she says she got the cake and not the money

'Yes sah beg pardon, sah I thought you intended that for my fee, sah'—Omaha World

They Are Happy.

The beauty of autumn is fading away
The landscapes are black and drear
But the coal man laughs and the plumber is gay
For their season is almost here

—Boston Courier

A Bit of Cold Comfort

A medical journal says the application of a bit of ice to the lobe of the ear will stop hiccoughing All a man who is accustomed to hiccoughing has to do then is to carry a bit of ice around in his vest pocket and he can cure himself instantly —New York Graphic

Epitaph on a Kitchen Girl

Departed from this world of strife
To regions pleasant and serene
The last scene of this maiden's life
Was kerosene

—Boston Courier

Easily Located

"Now, children,' said the Illinois school teacher "can you tell me where Lake Michigan is?

It's near Chicago'

All in Vain.

The whistler whistles from week to week,
From day to day, from hour to hour
And vainly we seek for a dynamite brick
To cut him off in his manhood's flower

--Merchant Traveler

Indirect Application.

"Patrick, you told me you needed the alcohol to clean the mirrors with, and here I find you drinking it"

Faix, mum it's a-drinkin' it and brathin on the glass oi'm a-doin' —Life

Single Blessedness.

The single man doth now appear
With overcoat upon his back
The married man looks sad and drear
While his wife gets into her sealskin sack

—Merchant Traveler

A Cordial Invitation.

Head of the House (to young man at front door)—Haven't I told you, sir, never to come here again?

Young Man—Yes, sir, but I haven't called to see Miss Clara this time I have a three months' gas bill to collect

Head of the House (in a milder tone)—I You will please call again —Life

Sweetness Long Drawn Out

How sweet to listen to the bells
That call us to the pews
How sweet to turn once more in bed
And take another snooze'

—Hartford Sunday Journ

No Bath for Him.

Some one says that a man who has struck by lightning cannot swim He do want to swim What he needs, in nine out of ten, after being struck by lightning a cheap and unostentatious funeral —No town Herald

Too True

Upon the streets we soon will see
The man with mien dejected
Who aimed a senator to be
But didn't get elected

—Boston Cou

Better Than a Doctor.

'I feel depressed to-night," remark large down town trunk manufacturer wife 'I think I have a touch of mala

I fancy it will soon pass away,' re the lady, without much concern " don't you go around to the Grand Ce station and watch them handle trunks fo hour That will brighten you up"— York Sun

A Widower's Child.

Cease weeping child—why mourn the lo
Of your departed mother?
Before another year goes by
You'll likely have another

—Texas Si

How She Horrified Her Friend

An estimable lady who had been through the cure at Mount Dore, was de ing the system to a friend and wishi explain that she first visited the bat afterward took her glass of mineral wa the spring she said 'My dear, the trea here is very simple you take your bat and then you drink the water after Her friend was horrified —Exchange

The Poet's Growl

The melancholy days have come,
Can any person doubt it?
Too warm to have a parlor fire
Too cold to be without it

—Charlestown Ent

Five Cents Gone

Kindly Old Lady—What's the mat tle boy?

Little Boy (crying bitterly)—I jes cents

Kindly Old Lady (giving him a n Well here is five cents more for don't cry How did you lose it?

Little Boy (feeling better)—I lost it pennies —Harper's Bazar

Gone Up

Now's the time the fakir bummer
Looks on days of Indian summer
With an awful gushy sickly kind of c
He is infinitely glummer
Than a boycott blasted plumber
For his overcoat is pushed clear up th

—T

Gets Left

'I can say one thing in favor of Mi erly remarked Mrs Hendricks th lady— he never takes the last piece on the plate

'No indeed Mrs Hendricks Dumley cordially 'Featherly ain enough Harper's Bazar

A Whoaful Rhyme.

The man who drives a cart may b
As everybody knows,
A man of happy mien although
His life is full of whoa's.

Personal Item

Mr S [illegible] will return to T Thanksgiving day —Life

LOCAL NEWS.

Miss Sallie Kramer visited friends in Galion Wednesday

Mrs C L Sargent is clerking at Warner & Edwards during the holiday rush

Rev Father Stoeppleman of LaRue [illegible] Father Burns on north [illegible] street

—Judge C H Norris has arrived home from [illegible] to [illegible] the holidays

[illegible] Morris of LaRue has been serving in the U S penitentiary at Toledo for the past two weeks

—Miss Ida Krause is helping [illegible] the [illegible] temporarily during the holiday rush of trade

Dr Joshua Copeland was over from LaRue Wednesday, giving Treasurer Dickson an important call

—Huston Democrat Miss Bertha Riser of Marion is visiting at the residence of her uncle Wm Fisher

Court was in session Wednesday afternoon with Judge Norris on the bench A few minor cases were heard

—Rev B H Hunt and daughter, of Nebraska, were visiting F H B Beale and family Sunday and Monday

Cris Kellar, engineer on Driver Bros' derrick on the Hamilton O court house, is home on a winter vacation

—A great many of the young people of this city will visit Prospect Saturday afternoon and enjoy the skating carnival

Isaac Dickson son of Treasurer Dickson has been assisting in the treasurer's office for a few days He is good help

—A D Matthews who has been confined to his home for several days past is again able to be about attending to his duties

—Miss Grace Durfee, who has been in Minnesota for some time past, returned home Wednesday to spend the holidays with her parents

—Prospect Opera House is to be the scene of a grand ball New Year's eve In fact it is expected that half of Marion county will dance that night

—The Ladies Non partisan W C T U, of this city is assured that Francis Murphy will pay Marion a visit in the interest of the cause at an early date

—Dances will be rife throughout the country and towns for the next fortnight The laddies and lasses will no doubt reap much benefit from them

—Gov Alger of Michigan, is said to have passed through the city Wednesday over the C, H V and T in a handsome Michigan Central private car

—The Black Diamond employes were paid today and the boys have nearly all gone home to spend the holidays having been given a ten days lay off

—Ludwig's Hall, Caledonia is to have a grand opening ball New Year's eve It is purely a select ball, two hundred invitations being sent out by the "Big Four"

—Probate Judge Criswell was called to Caledonia Thursday, by a telegram announcing the very serious illness of Henry Smith of that place The Judge was formerly the family physician

—Mr and Mrs I W Kramer are enjoying the happiness of the first birth in the family a baby girl We trust it will be a source of such happiness to their home that meddlers will hereafter be wholly excluded

The wooden wedding of Mr and Mrs Rev Thomas must have been a very dry affair Monday night The very vivacious and festive editor of the Independent was not there to lend social brilliancy to the occasion

Our old friend Elias Falk, has announced his intention of returning to his farm early in the spring Mr Falk thinks city life far inferior to the beauties of a country home and he will return to his first love

—Mr Falk of Cardington was in the city several days this week looking over the city with a view to locating here permanently Marion is desirous of receiving live energetic business men and extend a ready welcome

—Miss Kate Sells of Prospect was married Wednesday evening to Elmer W Yantes of Columbus The ceremony was performed at the Methodist Episcopal church where a large party of invited guests had congregated

—All the J P's of the county will meet at Squire Payne's office on the 1st of January 1887, to transact business relating to the new arrangement of things A full attendance is particularly desired as business of great importance will be transacted

—C R Smith the well known and very eccentric blacksmith that has all the trade between Caledonia Mt Gilead Galion and Bucyrus at his modest smithy in Tully township, was in the city Wednesday and gave the STAR with a brief call His visits to Marion are so few and far between that they are noticeable

—Marion Chapter R A M will hold a public installation of officers Tuesday Dec 28 After the installation of officers a banquet will be served and a general good time had The Kerr House will prepare the banquet and from past experience those who are fortunate enough to receive invitations may expect a royal feast

Dr McConnell was at Caledonia Tuesday night in consultation with the physicians attending Bro Henness editor and proprietor of the Argus Mr Henness has been in poor health for years and having now broken down the chances are rather against him rallying Caledonia can hardly afford to lose the services of such a valuable man

Three lines for the Black Diamond have been surveyed in or about Marion One enters Marion through True's addition [illegible] Marion and runs down the line of the N Y P and O to the C and A Another runs on the south corporation line just north of the cemetery and curves to [illegible] in the C and A near the round house The third line is considerably south of town and strikes the C and A three miles west of Marion Marion citizens are to choose between the first two named and the third will be chosen by Col Boone in case he decides to give Marion the go-by

—Mr and Mrs J Falk celebrated the fifth anniversary of their marriage by a wooden wedding at their country home, four miles south of Marion Wednesday About sixty guests joined them in the celebration of the occasion and made a brilliant gathering The dinner to which the party was seated is said to have been one of unusual excellence and greatly enjoyed Many choice presents were left as reminders of the occasion

[illegible] nominated for the offices named by the Marion County Agricultural Society [illegible] for president P G Harvey vice president John McElwee Members of board of managers John [illegible] of Tully township to fill vacancy for one year D H Clifton Montgomery Allen Day Big Island I Reber Marion J F Weild [illegible] Richland [illegible] Murray Claridon [illegible] Waldo Pleasant B K Herbster Prospect and J A Shaw Waldo for two years The election takes place in January

—The question is often asked why Marion secures the class of shows she does having so poor accommodations for troupes If one would stop to think the reason would be apparent in a moment A great many first-class troupes which are en route for Chicago from New York stop over for a night's engagement to defray expenses etc In coming from New York to Chicago troupes would lose the entire night while if they make an engagement at this point they not only materially help to lessen the bill of expenses for transportation etc but they fill in the night which would otherwise be unfruitful The class of shows which Marion has had during the season does great credit to its management and this fact is greatly appreciated by the public

Officers Elected

The following officers were elected Tuesday night for the ensuing term in Mizpah Encampment No 50, I O O F

W H Cope C P
C F Meyer, H P
C Kennen, S W
Wm Coler, J W
E H Raffensperger Scribe.
Charles Stose, Treas.
J N Matthews S H Rupp and J H Criswell Trustees

Caledonia Chips.

[From the Argus]

J B Thew was over from Marion Sunday and Monday, shaking hands with friends

Mr Wm Hostler, residing north of town died on Wednesday and was buried on Friday of last week

J L Fell and family returned home from Illinois last week looking much improved from the journey

A musician with a little girl probably six or eight years old, were on our streets Tuesday afternoon singing and dancing and in the evening they gave an exhibition at our saloons Now it may be all right to show to the public what a child can do but when they are taken into a saloon for that purpose it is high time that the officers of the law should take a hand in the matter and protect the child from ruin

Quickly Burglarized.

Some fellow made a quick job of burglarizing the Bee Line depot Wednesday night After the office force left for supper, about half past five the door to the ticket and business office was broken open by the clever trick of driving a rod through the casing and knocking off the staple on the inside Having gained admittance it was an easy matter to relieve the money drawer of $7 02 in change The bulk of the money had been forwarded to Cleveland on train 2

The job was probably done in less than ten minutes for a gentleman walked from the depot one square to Agent Dombaugh's house and when the two returned at once, the door was found open

Suspicion is strong against a party, who has been shadowed since the deed, but the uncertainty of proof has stood in the way of arrest so far

Something in the Air

PROSPECT O, Dec 22 —Developments of a very sensational nature were noticed by a gentleman last evening while wending his way homeward

A woman dressed in a long cloak was seen to emerge from an alley and steal cautiously up to a window and listen for perhaps five minutes after which time she departed as quietly as she came

The house which she was shadowing has a very unsavory reputation and frequently married men have been seen emerging from the place at different hours of the night

This same place is the one that received the dose of eggs last fall at which time they were notified to depart

From the description of the lady seen by the person who gave this to the STAR there is no reason to doubt that there be something rich for the gossips before long Well let it come we can stand something of that nature just now and relish it immensely

COURT HOUSE BUSINESS

JOURNAL ENTRIES

W H Briggs et al vs C F Kelly et al civil action Court sustained demurers and granted leave to defendants to file answer by January 8th 1887

S & F R Suter vs the C H V and T Railroad company, civil action appeal Continued

Edward Bensely vs Russell C Bowdish civil action Continued

Jeremiah Ellmaker administrator of Wm F Selander deceased vs Salamatins B Housworth and Maria J Housworth civil action foreclosure It was ordered that the Sheriff distribute the money derived from the estate

Rosina Neidhart vs Jacob Ullman and Justus Zeig as administrator with the will annexed of Conrad Neidhart, deceased civil action It was ordered by the court that the defendants pay the plaintiff the sum of $2100 It is also ordered that the defendants pay the plaintiff the sum of $1.00 and give her the household goods

Wm H Dickson and Elizabeth A Benfield vs Sargent Clark civil action Court ordered that the receiver of the partnership fund of the firm of Benfield & Clark pay the costs etc and the residue to be apportioned among complainants according to their investment

WM IRELAND DEAD

A Man Who Had All But Reached His Hundredth Birthday

[Mt Gilead Register]

Wm Ireland is dead This gentleman was nearing the hundredth year of his age when he fell stricken with paralysis at his home near Cardington on Friday the 10th inst This old man was ninety nine years four months and some days of age the father of David and Jackson Ireland of Canaan township [illegible] far advanced in life [illegible] the signs of advanced age The old father was a man possessing [illegible] vitality such as is seldom if ever noticed in one so near his hundredth birthday as was Mr Ireland He was one of the Jacksonian democrats of Morrow county and held an honored place at the democratic banquet at Mt Gilead on the occasion of the inauguration of our last democratic president The remains were buried on Friday in the burying ground at Claridon Marion county

Green Camp

J B Stemmand Newton Bradshaw were visiting at home last week The former is stationed at R[illegible] and the latter has been in Chicago

Rev Sutton is holding a revival meeting at Big Island

M L Hazen is building an addition to his already large and commodious house southwest of town which when completed will be almost twice its original size

Thos Parkison of Mansfield is in our midst organizing a class in vocal music So many fruitless attempts have been made in this direction that we almost despair of his success

Miss Kate Kendel left Monday evening for a visit among friends in Galion

Albert Court is attending the Agosta Normal this term

J W Davis is solicitor for the STAR in this place Those wishing to subscribe might call on him

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Talk About the Dow Law

In a conversation with Treasurer Dickson the STAR is able to present to the public, and especially to saloon keepers the following valuable information regarding the Dow liquor law

In answer to a question put to him as to what course he intended pursuing toward the saloon keepers who have not yet paid their tax, the Treasurer replied "I intend to trifle with them no longer I have so far dealt leniently with them and am open for concessions even now Those who have already paid received favors which will not be granted to those who pay after I notify them"

"How many have already paid?" asked the STAR

"Well, I can't say exactly quite a number however"

"Have you added the penalty to those who have not paid?"

"Oh yes but I have not added my per cent Those who do not pay immediately after I notify them will be charged the full amount that is 24 per cent added to the tax"

Mr Dickson evidently means business, and those who have not yet paid would do well to settle up at once The tax must be paid, and liquor dealers may as well reconcile themselves to this fact

A Brilliant Wedding at Prospect

Again we are called upon to chronicle another grand and brilliant wedding the contracting parties being Miss Katie Sells of this place, and Elmer W Yantes of Columbus, O

The wedding ceremony was performed by Rev Caleb Hill at the M E church precisely at 7 30 p m The bride was dressed in a beautiful white satin dress, trimmed in creme lace and wore a wreath of myrtle green upon her head The groom was neatly attired in the usual black

Harry Cook, of Columbus acted as best man and was dressed similar to the groom Miss Nora Griffith as bridesmaid wore a black satin trimmed in old gold

Miss Jennie Hill rendered two marches by the following authors A wedding march by Mendelsshon and a Roman march by Gounod

Owing to a request of the bride's parents no list of names of those present from different parts of the State was made

The presents were many quite a number very valuable and all well selected

Mr Yantes and lady left for Columbus on the 9 30 p m train where Mr Yantes is extensively engaged in the nursery business and where they will make their future home

We noticed the familiar countenance of Joe Matthews of Marion at the church

The fine carriage of Watkins Bros of Marion was brought down to convey the bridal couple to and from the church

The STAR was among the many to offer congratulations being present when they took the train for Columbus

Waldo Locals

Mrs King is very sick at present and we look for a decided change soon

Billy Diphany is visiting relatives in Northern Indiana at present

Alex and Pud Smith have gone to Hel gate in the northern part of this State

The Sunday school children are practicing for an entertainment to be given Saturday evening in the M E church

The Waldo schools will vacate one week during holidays

Charley Wyatt gave an interesting entertainment at the Township Hall last Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings in the fancy sewing line

Prof Enos Baldwin of Delaware gave a reading in the Waldo school house last Friday

The double-barrel gun can be heard talking from our remotest places The hunter is on the alert

We have about three inches of snow which makes it very nice drawing with sleds

There was a solicitor for the Weekly STAR in our midst last week who took seventeen names

Everybody is drawing wood It is nice sledding

They are talking of taking the toll gates off the gravel road leading from Waldo to Marion

Ed Gillet and lady of Norton formerly of this place will visit relatives in New London during the week between holidays

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RAILROAD NEWS

Trains on the N Y P and O run more regularly now than they have been for some time past This is principally due to the nice weather we are having

The C and A is doing a larger through passenger business now than it has for some [illegible] this road is the lightest that it has [illegible] some weeks

[illegible] C and A will place on their road [illegible] of the latest pattern [illegible] will be able to pull [illegible]

H L Falkenburgh general passenger agent of the Columbus Hocking Valley and Toledo who has been in Europe for several weeks sailed for home Wednesday from Southampton

The Hocking Valley is delivering about 200 cars of coal per day to the C and A The Hocking Valley furnished about six engines per day to transport the extra amount of freight

Mr Joe Dill who was confined to his room for some time past is again able to be about attending to his regular duties Mr Dill is one of the pleasantest and most capable conductors on the C and A

Local passenger business on all the roads is very light This is principally owing to the withdrawal of the traveling sales men who turn up at this season of the year Passenger business will boom during the holidays

The express companies are rushed with more work at this season of the year than they can handle but by extra help they manage to pull through A great number of packages have already been sent from Marion to distant friends

Among all the conductors of the C and A road possibly no one ranks with Mr McCullough in point of manly beauty He is acknowledged by all his colleagues to be the handsomest man on the road without any exceptions and this fact is amply demonstrated by the opinions of the fairer sex W G McEdwards and 'Dude' Beale are the only two who can lay any claims as rivals and still they must take a back seat when all the points are fully discussed

Obituary

In memory of Bertha E Barnthouse who died Dec 5 1886 —Written by her mother

Dearest Bertha thou hast left us
And our loss we deeply feel
But 'tis God who has bereft us
He can all our sorrows heal

On that quiet Sabbath evening
When thy spirit took its flight
Thy last words we will remember
Words of trusting 'hold me tight

'Hold me tight but faintly uttered
As in her papa's arms she lay
Though by loving friends surrounded
None the hand of death could stay

Thou hast left one lonely sister
Father, mother, brothers dear
As around the hearth we gather
Now no more thy voice we hear

But we know that thou art happy
In that land of light and love
Where our loved awaits our coming
In our Father's home above

IN A GENERAL WAY

In conversation with a Black Diamond official Tuesday the STAR put the question of whether or not the road would be built to Marion, if she did not raise the amount called for by the Black Diamond men

"Well," said the gentleman addressed "it of course greatly depends If Marion could not raise the amount asked for, then a reduction of the sum total would be made"

"Do you think" said the STAR "that you folks will ever be fortunate enough to get $20,000 out of the town"

"No, I don't think that we could raise that amount here, at present at least You see the Cannon Ball and Negley routes have both more or less detracted from the Black Diamond in Marion and until this prejudice can in some manner be overcome, no great amount will be raised"

"Why" asked the STAR, "does not Colonel Boone himself swoop down upon the citizens and get the proper amount of enthusiasm where it belongs"

"Well you see," said the gentleman "that there are more reasons than one why he doesn't make a personal canvass himself In the first place he never does such work and the second place an influential citizen working for the interest of the road does more to aid the project along than Colonel Boone could possibly do The Colonel merely states to the people the nature of the project and then the citizens are depended upon to do the rest"

"Will the road be built to Marion if the amount called for is not forthcoming?"

"Yes the road will be built whether Marion does anything towards its construction or not but it won't be built to Marion that I can assure you of The impression has got among the business men that the road will come whether they pay anything for it or not This is a mistake and they will learn too late the nature of their mistake The contract made with eastern capitalists was to the effect that if the necessary amount in subscriptions was raised by the people of Marion it would be built but if not then the road was to merely remain on paper I will be safe in saying that outside of the C and A railroad the Black Diamond would improve the city of Marion more than any other road that centers into the city I would like to see more interest taken in the scheme and the amount raised"

Agosta

Rev Tom Campbell and wife have so far recovered as to accompany Mr Campbell's father and mother to their home today We regret to have the old gentleman leave as he is a very sociable and fine old man

Little Eddie Taft only son of G L Taft is quite sick with malarial fever also Dave Locker is having a severe attack of diphtheria Several cases of this dreaded disease are reported

Business is booming as we are having good sledding

The hands at the stave factory were each presented with a fine turkey by the proprietors and are happy

Our saloon men are looking a little sickly on the acts of the Dow law They had to trot to Marion and pay their tax Dave Dutton thinks he will try it one more year and then retire

Quail and rabbit hunters are having fine sport as there is plenty of snow

Jacob Berger is still living but no better, still some days he thinks he is improving a little

Begel [illegible] Sunday in the [illegible] town Diphtheria

Wm Worts child has [illegible] is reported better

I R Shirk was on our streets [illegible] for a couple of days shaking hands with old friends He reports business good and family well

Sleigh bells [illegible] poor horses have to pay for them [illegible]

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LaRue

Nothing very [illegible] LaRue is here and the people average [illegible]

Saloon men have [illegible] strings and [illegible] called the Dow Law [illegible] the better it will be [illegible] must be [illegible] successfully [illegible] satisfaction [illegible] the people [illegible] opinion [illegible] prevail and be endorsed by the people [illegible] This is the plan I endorse and hope to see it established Of course it will not meet the approbation of [illegible] prohibitionists nor [illegible] and [illegible] saloons and behind tables [illegible] but the more intelligent portion of the people will in my opinion without regard to party declare for local option and the party that opposes it will go under

Holidays are not coming now but we can see by the [illegible] that something is approaching More [illegible] us [illegible] toys are being displayed shows and balls advertised [illegible] parties arranged [illegible] all of which will be approbated and patronized by very many and I will right here offer a suggestion to all On the first day of January 1887 let every one—the high the low the rich the poor—all look back over the past year and see what it has been to them, and endeavor to improve 87 to better advantage and to profit by the past Remember, we are making our trip through life and it is important to us that we observe great prudence, the length of our trip depends very much upon this

A school house a mile west of town was burned at a late hour Saturday night How or why it happened I guess nobody knows It is quite a disappointment for the school has stopped Somebody got off the track, probably left fire in the house and it was burned

I advise people to keep their houses well locked at night and not leave them alone in daytime till after holidays and to keep means of protection handy and to use them if necessary Scamps will be circulating and it will be necessary to keep an eye out Saloons should be compelled to close early in towns, especially during the holidays marshals should be strict and see that rowdyism is not tolerated

Some sickness of late commencing with colds Dr Sawyer tells me that he has had all he could do for the past ten days When we have sickness he seems to have a full share of it

A child died with croup recently after a few hours illness

May Copeland has returned home from Hillsdale Mich a Miss Armstrong from Illinois, accompanying her They will return to college after vacation I am not in favor of these vacations pupils get their minds off their studies

A Christmas tree is being fixed up in one of our churches I think they are poorly calculated to advance the interest in the church

Rev Zell continues with the Baptist church another year, his ninth year here

After holidays I may be able to furnish a batch of items if the air is full of them I will

Or was out last week in the Mirror after a long absence His ideas were grand, his subject sublime He says he knew what the Dow law decision would be strictly partisan

I am suffering from a bad cold which has aroused my catarrhal disease of long standing If I could fly I would be tempted to strike for Florida

Too Good a Preacher.

"How do you like that new minister of yours" asked Deacon Snaggs of Elder Berry

"I'm afraid he's too powerful We can't stand it"

How's that?

Well, you see, he preached a trial sermon on salvation, and every unrepentant sinner in the audience came up in front and joined the church So we engaged him The next Sunday he preached on the duty of marriage, and every old bachelor and widower in the congregation hooked on to an old maid and was married before Saturday night He got a $5 fee out of every couple But the worst came last Sunday He preached upon the duty of giving all to the Lord, and I hope I may never if two deacons didn't sprain their backs carrying around the contribution baskets they were so loaded down with silver When the congregation was dismissed it was just like leaving a faro bank—there wasn't a cent in the crowd The house had all the money We can't stand such eloquence" —Washington Critic

The Toothsome Spare Rib

What has become of the toothsome spare rib we used to hear so much about in our infancy?' repeated a Madison street butcher as he boosted a hind quarter of beef upon a block 'The spare rib my friend has been tabooed in the north For years and years it was looked upon with high favor as a dainty morsel for a Sunday dinner and Thanksgiving feast, but of late years there has been little or no demand for the superfluous bone The rest of the porker however, finds ready sale in our markets Throw the spare ribs away? Oh bless you no Ever hear of a butcher flinging anything away? No, no The spare ribs are shipped south by the car load, where they are highly prized by the negro Being almost as succulent and savory as 'possum or coon, the colored people have little trouble in ekeing out a pretty fair sort of living off the despised rib which is sold to them at a very moderate price —Chicago Herald

Tecumseh Aging Rapidly

Gen Sherman refused to be interviewed while passing through Pittsburg the other evening and the reporter thus takes revenge The great commander seemed to be aging rapidly, as his hair and beard are now very gray He is becoming conspicuously bald and his form and features are assuming a shrunken appearance "—Chicago Tribune

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ABOUT WOMEN

Violet Cameron threatens to pay New York another visit in the spring

Mrs James Brown Potter denies the report that she is going on the stage

Miss Cleveland has accepted the president's invitation to take Christmas dinner with him at the White House.

Mrs Gen Hancock is now visiting friends in Washington She intends to make that city her future home.

Laura Bridgeman, the wonderful blind woman is now nearly 57 She has returned to the Institute for Blind at South Boston

A new omnibus line in London recently engaged a female conductor She only lasted one day and it is thought that she got married

Princess Louise is said to be the only one of the queen's daughters who refuses to "mind her mother" She is clever, fascinating, original and high spirited

Mme Patti has at her castle in Wales several solid silver services all of which are presents from her friends When she is there she uses one for each day in the week

Mme Nevada Palmer has become quite a figure in Parisian society, and it is getting to be quite the thing among the notables of the French capital to attend her receptions.

The illness of Mrs William Astor, of New York, has assumed such a serious form that society will be robbed of her presence this winter She is one of the most popular women in New York

A party of young ladies in Albany wanted to go to a wedding As only one of them had an invitation, they put their heads together procured envelopes exactly like the model wrote their names thereon and successfully showed these at the door as they passed in

The honor of having been nine times presented to Queen Victoria is believed to belong to but one American woman living to-day That woman is Mrs. Hicks Lord, the heroine of the exciting family fracas of a few years back whose power over her husband, Mr Lord his children by a former marriage vainly sought to impair

The Duchess de Mouchy, Anna Murat, possesses more jewels than any other woman in Paris. She inherited them from the Noailles family, and from her grandmother, the queen of Naples After her comes the Duchess de Bisaccia Mme Maurice Ephrussi, nee Rothschild has the finest collection of rubies, and the Princess de Leon the finest pearls.

Miss Nellie Branham now in Paris, is perhaps one of the most remarkable lilliputians of the United States She weighs sixty pounds wears a child's No 9 shoe, a No 3 glove measures sixteen inches around the waist, is fifty inches in height. She has refused several offers to travel for public exhibition

MEN OF LETTERS

Paul Boyton, the swimmer is about to publish a book about himself

Mark Twain likes to play billiards and handles the cue quite expertly

Secretary Lamar considers James Russell Lowell the best writer of pure English now living

President Whitney's Sanscrit class in Yale numbering ten members is the largest class in that study that an American college has ever reported

More than $250 is asked in England for a certain copy of the first edition of Fielding's Tom Jones in six volumes Its particular value lies in the fact that it is uncut

Hon Israel Coe of Waterbury Conn oldest surviving legislator who was a member of the general assembly of 1824 is writing a book of early reminiscences He is 92 years of age

Some one asked Josh Billings why he didn't write a serious lecture Ah, replied Josh with a wise shake of his head the public won't allow a man to stand on his feet for their entertainment after he has once stood on his head

A correspondent recently found Walt Whitman the poet in the smallest house in Camden N J seated in an old wooden chair wrapped in a bear skin to keep him warm Although he is poor and is afflicted with paralysis yet he is cheerful and happy

The life of Oliver P Morton edited by his son is to be issued next year Among those who are to write paragraphs for the work touching various places of the statesman's career are Gen Lew Wallace Gen H [illegible] Carrington ex-Postmaster General Tyner and Senators Ingalls Allison McMillan and H[illegible]

Professor Ruskin in speaking of his literary work says it was always done as quietly and methodically as a piece of tapestry I knew exactly what I had got to say put the words firmly in their places like so many stitches [illegible] of the chapters around [illegible] to be graceful flourishes [illegible] finally with a [illegible] point [illegible] and read the work to papa and mamma at breakfast the next morning as a girl shows her sampler

Congressman Lawler always wants the 'jackets' left on his potatoes He is happy when he sits down to a corn beef and cabbage dinner with a cup of nice tea on the side

SPORTING AND ATHLETIC.

Nine bicyclists were killed this season

Twenty-three horses with records of 2:20 or better are owned in New York

There is a strong prospect that Tommy Warren will be matched with Tommy Danforth

W G George England's champion pedestrian, is again in this country en route for Australia

J Finney, the English swimmer, has challenged any man in the world to swim six days for £100 or £200 a side

Peter Nolan of Cincinnati is anxious to meet Dominick McCaffrey in California and there is good money there for them

An attempt has been made in San Francisco to arrange a match to a finish with hard gloves between Jack Dempsey and Ted Burke

Twenty four horses on the American turf won the enormous sum of $459,725 in the season just gone by This is an average of nearly $18 000 for each horse

Alf Greenfield will revisit this country next year He will leave Liverpool on Feb 7, and after visiting the principal cities of the east he will make a tour through the west

The leading lawyers of Nashville have subscribed $1 000 for a stake to be run at the Nashville spring meeting It is to be known as the Lawyers stakes for [illegible] year olds, one mile and a sixteenth

The directors of the New York club have placed in Manager Mutrie's hand a large sum of money so that he may secure the best players in the country for next season The fact that Gore has gone over to the New Yorks has occasioned some surprise but Manager Mutrie says this is nothing to what will follow

PLAYERS AND PLAYHOUSES

The Kiralfy Brothers have dissolved partnership

Louis Aldrich is again playing "My Partner" in New York

Modjeska was 40 when she began to study English Lotta is just that age now They are both remarkably well preserved

Miss Margaret Mather will begin her second engagement in New York Dec 20 at the Union Square theatre in "Leah the Forsaken"

During her engagement in Boston, Mlle Rhea will present her two latest and most successful plays The Widow and Fairy Fingers

Manager Palmer's Madison Square Theatre company were so successful in San Francisco that it has been arranged for them to play an engagement in that city annually They open there next July

Victoria Morosini Schilling will probably keep off the stage hereafter According to various reports she is in various places—traveling in Europe with a rich family and also distributed around the country in convents and rural theatres Her husband still drives his horse car in New York

AMONG THE RAILROADS

Sixty passenger conductors on the Mexican Central were recently discharged because they were suspected of an organized system of stealing

Jay Gould is being vainly besieged by newspaper and railroad men who want him to tell the name of the late General Manager Hoxie's successor

The earnings of the Mexican Central railroad for the third week in November are $89,550, an increase of $11,300 over the earnings of the corresponding week in 1885

The Pennsylvania railroad has in view a new branch, to be called the Ohio Connecting road, for the purpose of transporting freight to the lakes and points along the Fort Wayne road

Another attempt will be made next month by the Lake Shore and other east bound roads out of Chicago to have rates advanced to five cents It is said that the New York Central will then consent to the advance

A direct and independent line is to be built from Norfolk Va to Jacksonville, Fla, by the New York Philadelphia and Norfolk railroad It is understood that the extension is to be built in the interest of the Pennsylvania railroad

A car loaded with oranges, starting Nov 8 from Gainesville, Fla, made the trip to Chicago via the L and N and the L N A and C, in five days the usual running time of freight of that character being from six to twelve days The distance is 1 300 miles

The Union Pacific has completed arrangements to establish a weather service over its entire system similar to that in use by the Federal government There are to be thirty two stations equipped with full sets of observing instruments The Chicago and Northwestern and the Central Pacific have been invited to co operate, so as to make a through railway weather service between San Francisco and Chicago

The annual returns of the fifteen railroad corporations in Connecticut show a prosperous year The gross earnings are $17, 89 139 94, operating expenses, $11,493,842 54, net earnings, $5,995,296 40, number of passengers carried 18,989,588 tons of freight, 7,925,671 The increase over last year in gross earnings is $1,763,186 12 operating expenses, $770, 628 16, net earnings $987,058 26, passengers carried 1 508 617 tons of freight, 1,049 674

BEAST, BIRD AND SNAKE

A big gopher snake was killed recently at Daytona, Fla in whose stomach was found a three foot rattlesnake still alive The gopher was over six feet in length

A large eagle recently made its appearance in Richmond, Minn and attacked John Donahower, a small boy, 12 years old After a hard struggle the boy succeeded in killing the eagle by kicking it with his heavy boots

A big wolf attacked a little 8 year old girl as she was driving the cows to water near Comstock Minn but one of the cows charged the wolf, tossed it in the air and then the farmer's dog came to the rescue and the wolf fled

A resident of Geneseo, N Y found a mink in his henhouse after it had killed thirty of his fowls The mink ran under a woodpile Determined to kill it, the man handled the four cords of wood four times Then the mink, growing tired of dodging from one pile of wood to another, ran away

A citizen of Sumner county Ga found a hawk struggling in the coils of a black snake that was wound three times around one wing and twice around the bird's neck The snake would not release the hawk until partly paralyzed by a blow. Then the coils fell off and the almost exhausted hawk flew slowly away.

Ben Lemere of Aitkin, Minn wounded a large she bear, and in company with his 10 year-old son, went in search of the animal He instructed the lad to follow the trail while he himself would circle around and try to head off the bear They had not been long separated when the father heard the report of the boy's gun, soon followed by another, and, hurrying to his child's assistance found him standing over the prostrate form of the bear as coolly as if he had shot a squirrel

CHURCH NOTES

During the last month a Presbyterian church in Brooklyn has given $4 000 to home missions

The Presbyterian board of foreign missions has a debt of $150 000 and makes an urgent appeal for funds

The Reformed Episcopal church now has eight parishes in Chicago Eleven clergymen are at work and the church property is valued at $[illegible]

A clergyman of England is engaged in bringing out an embossed Bible for the use of the blind in China who are very numerous there as in all other eastern countries

At the twenty seventh annual meeting of the American Missionary society recently held at Philadelphia the finance committee reported that the receipts for the past year were $18 964 and the expenses $10 245

Bishop Taylor writing from the Congo gives a glowing account of the success of mission work there He is now above Stanley Pool and has left stations at intervals along the route through the Congo valley

A church in Egypt [illegible] needed some improvement Some one suggested that [illegible] the young and old [illegible] men women and children [illegible] by harvesting the fleecy staple At the end of the day the deacon and elders certified to 2 000 pounds

There are in New York 34 Baptist ministers, 6 Congregational 22 Lutheran [illegible] Methodist 2 Moravian [illegible] Presbyterian 74 Episcopalian 1 Reformed Episcopal, 22 Reformed Dutch and [illegible] in all The Protestant [illegible] ministers in active service there as editors, teachers, professors, etc will double this number

A man in New York made up his mind to see how fashionable churches would treat a shabbily dressed man He made himself look as shabby as possible and went to several churches He was treated with uniform courtesy and the conclusion he arrived at was that poorly dressed people will as a rule have no difficulty in getting a seat in any church

THE CLOTHES THEY WEAR

Senator Evarts wears a funnel shaped collar with flanges on it to keep his black choker in shape

Ex Attorney General Wayne MacVeagh wears a silk hat with a broad black band He dresses very neatly

Senator Vest of Missouri, pays little attention to how his clothes look About all he cares is to have a coat stick to him

President Cleveland now has his clothes made by a New York tailor, and looks natter than he did before he was married

Sunset Cox wraps himself up in a long overcoat bordered with sealskin, and it is said that he looks like a Russian moujik

Gen Anson McCook who has recently been married wears a pair of bran new kid gloves and sports a highly polished beaver

Congressman William L Scott smokes a $1 40 cigar clad in a $15 pepper and salt suit, that he has worn through several campaigns

Senator Gorman wears good clothes and they fit him well He wears a natty cutaway coat, and would make a good model for a fashion plate

Mr Blaine's favorite color is black He generally appears in a low standing collar encircled by a small black cravat His silk hat often looks ruffled

Senator John Sherman usually wears a long frock coat one corner of which always hangs lower than the other It looks as if it had been thrown upon him

Senator Edmunds favorite color in clothing is dark brown He wears a derby hat on on all occasions and never appears in anything else than a frock coat

They say that Congressman Frank Hiscock would be the finest looking man in Washington if he would pay more attention to his tailor He goes about in a loose fitting black suit which gets "tired out" before he is through with it

FACTS WORTH KNOWING

A little petroleum added to the water with which waxed or polished floors are washed improves their looks

Wilted roses can be freshened up immediately by immersing the ends of the stalks in very hot water for a minute or two

Somebody has invented a boot ventilator which is designed to admit fresh air to the foot and at the same time excludes water What next?

By a new process of toughening wood it is claimed that the effect produced upon white wood is such that a cold chisel is required to split it—this result being accomplished by a special method of steaming the timber and submitting it to end pressure

An artificial stone of excellent quality and adapted to various constructive purposes is now made by mixing in certain proportions Portland cement powdered giant blast furnace slag and water containing silicate of soda The composition may be colored to suit the taste

A useful discovery is announced whereby the faded ink on old parchments may be so restored as to render the writing perfectly legible The process consists in moistening the paper with water and passing over the lines of writing a brush which has been wet in a solution of sulphide of ammonia

A doctor in Meriden Conn thinks that burning kerosene oil has something to do with diphtheria During the year he has attended seventy two cases of diphtheria and in every case the family used a kerosene lamp but in not a single case where gas or candles were used was there a death from the disease

LABOR NOTES

At a conference in Manchester England of delegates representing 400 000 [illegible] it was resolved that hereafter [illegible] hours shall constitute a day's labor

The president of the Federation of Trades and Labor unions of the United States has issued a circular announcing the annual session of the federation in Columbus O on Dec 7 instead of at St Louis as had been previously decided upon

A petition signed by thirteen assemblies of the Knights of Labor was recently presented before the meeting of the house of correction committee on supplies in Philadelphia [illegible] was a protest against the employment of the inmates of the house of correction on [illegible] contract labor

A laboring man of Minneapolis [illegible] has patented a car brake He says it must put a freight car running at the rate of thirty five miles an hour in fifteen feet lock the wheels dead in six or eight seconds and stop a locomotive running at the rate of forty miles an hour before it has moved twenty five feet He has been offered $[illegible] 000 for his invention

A bill has been introduced into the [illegible] legislature which provides that merchants shall not charge [illegible] per cent on the necessaries of life such as flour and bacon [illegible] He intends [illegible] that it will bring a revival of prosperity among the poor and that the state has as much right to regulate mercantile profits as it has railroad rates

ALL SORTS

During the last few years Florida has enjoyed a remarkable growth Three years ago land there sold at $1 50 an acre It would now be considered cheap at $10.

[illegible] at Cleveland has written a letter to Senator Manning authorizing the latter to have the Bartholdi statue placed under the care of the lighthouse board as a beacon, and that it be so maintained lighted and tended.

At least a dozen magnificent residences are to be built in New York within the next year by men who have made fortunes in the west and southwest and have followed the now established custom of coming to New York to enjoy and display their wealth

Vandals are already at work chipping chunks off the monument which has been erected over Thomas Jefferson's grave at Monticello Col Wilson of the army, who has charge of it, says that a military guard will have to be sent there if the monument is to be preserved

A man at Buford Ga, who cannot walk and is terribly deformed has made $25,000 in the past ten years by manufacturing saddletrees and shipping them to northern markets He has now opened up a new enterprise, and is shipping handles for buggy and wagon whips to the north in the same immense quantities

The wealthiest Indian tribe in the United States is the Osage nation They own a tract of fine land in territory of 1 500 000 acres and in addition to this have an annuity of $ 50 000 which is the interest on United States bonds given them in exchange for their former lands in Kansas and Missouri The amount is about $150 a year for each man woman and child in the tribe

SOME EUROPEAN STATESMEN

Mr John Morley never smokes anything stronger than a cigarette

Lord Randolph Churchill is quite a smoker but drinks very moderately

Mr Gladstone never smokes He drinks wine and port is his especial favorite

Mr Chamberlain is fond of big, strong cigars and drinks champagne at meals

Lord Dufferin never lifts a glass of liquor to his lips, and couldn't be induced to smoke

Sir W Harcourt used to be a teetotaller, but has gone back to claret He suffers from dyspepsia

Lord Salisbury is compelled by his health to be moderate in the use of stimulants He never smokes

Count Albert Apponyi, the young leader of the Hungarian Conservative party, is not yet 40 and the greatest orator in his country He is tall and fair with a blonde beard, a fair complexion and clear blue eyes.

M De Giers is said to be the most honest and pacific minister Russia ever had He comes from a Swedish Finn family of Jewish extraction, and is a slight careworn looking man with haggard eyes thin hands and a nervous smile

Count Gustav Kalnoky, who has been the Austro-Hungarian minister for foreign affairs since 1881 is a slim man, very bald, with an eye glass a military mustache, a stiff gait, a frowning expression and a supercilious manner He is a man of untiring industry, a good linguist, and is full of conceit

M De Kallay, besides being minister of finance for the empire is administrator of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and passes much of his time traveling about these provinces He is a handsome man of middle age, good figure, an intellectual head and fascinating conversational powers and is generally liked and trusted

Count Taaffe, the prime minister in the Cisleithan monarchy since 1879 is an Irish peer whose family have been settled in Austria since the time of the Stuarts He is one of the most influential persons in the empire and is an especial favorite of the emperor He is a short stout man with straight black hair a skipping sort of a walk, and wears a continual smile

M Koloman Tisza has now been nearly eleven years as premier of a liberal administration in Austro Hungary He is hook nosed spectacled, with stooping shoulders, unkempt beard and looks like an old Jew cloth man He smokes cheap cigars all day long disdains little courtesies, never tries to ingratiate himself, and yet is the most popular and the most respected man in Hungary

ART NOTES

Angeli's recently finished full length portrait of Queen Victoria has been placed in one of the drawing rooms of Buckingham palace

The Fine Arts college of Syracuse, N Y, has a freshman class of sixty seven young men and women It forms a new department in Syracuse university

The art gallery of Aberdeen, Scotland, has received by bequest the large private collection of paintings belonging to a Mr Alexander Macdonald including eighty portraits of famous modern artists

Schliemann has been unable to excavate at Gnossus in Crete owing to the rapacity of the land owners and the fact that there is no law there which permits the government to appropriate land for a public benefit

Joseph Jefferson's attempt to become an artist has met with success His picture of a southern bayou which has just been turned over to a New York firm is pronounced a masterpiece and will be priced at $4 000

Whistler the eccentric London artist who is coming to this country shortly, is said to wear continually an expression of bored surprise which with the addition of an eyeglass stuck over his left eye and an affected manner gives him a decidedly dudish appearance

There is no better muscular exercise for a painter says The Art Amateur than fencing The practice gives the wrist a wonderful strength and suppleness and the exercise of the rest of the body is an admirable tonic for a system necessarily somewhat enervated by close mental and physical indoor application

In the vaults of the Capucine church at Vienna where the Austrian sovereigns have found their tombs is a splendid and enormous sarcophagus raised by Joseph II over the remains of his mother Maria Theresa At its foot is a plain iron box in which are the bones of Joseph himself with the inscription often repeated by him in life—"I have got so far that I love nothing on earth except my mother and the state"

TURF NOTES

Vicksburg gives a running and trotting meeting on Nov 2 3 4 and 5

Lucky Baldwin pays Jockey West $5 000 to ride his second colors next year

Lucky Baldwin thinks his 2 year old colt Goliah will be one of the good ones next year

Horace Brown says he expects to make Belle Hamlin trot in 2 10 before the fall of [illegible]

J I Case says he firmly believes that Jay Eye See will break his record of 2 10 next year

The English crack Ormonde has won all of the eleven races for which he started, and in one year he has earned £21 7[illegible]8 for his owner, the Duke of Westminster

PERSONS OF PROMINENCE.

Fred Douglass is worth $200 000

William M Evarts never drinks more than two glasses of wine at a time

Col [illegible] he first [illegible]

It is said that President [illegible] has saved about $20 000 from his [illegible] salary

Mr Spurgeon the great London [illegible] has gone to Mentone where he will [illegible] the winter

Judge Ogden Hoffman has served continuously on the federal bench for nearly thirty years

Vice Chancellor Bacon [illegible] only English judge who [illegible] bench up to the age of 8[illegible]

United States Consul Wingate [illegible] China has just [illegible] with two [illegible] of Canton

Henry Ward Beecher is fond of attending public dinners, but eats very little [illegible] drinks anything stronger than [illegible]

Mrs Cleveland chats with [illegible] by telephone every day [illegible] stretched from Red Top to the White House

[illegible] sailed for [illegible] New York Saturday [illegible] land paid a flying visit to [illegible] to see him off

Senator Don Cameron and his wife are back in Washington They occupy the Taylor mansion which Don Cameron bought last year for $67 000

Gen W T Sherman has taken up his residence in New York city His wife and two daughters are with him, and they have half a dozen rooms in the Fifth Avenue hotel

Oscar Wilde has degenerated [illegible] His long locks are no longer curled his face has grown chubby and his legs are [illegible] in long trousers and for good reasons [illegible] won't stand inspection

Of President Arthur's cabinet, Frelinghuysen and Folger are dead, Hatton is editing The Chicago Mail Lincoln is practicing law in Chicago, Gresham is on the bench, Brewster is taking care of a large law practice and Teller is in the United States senate

President Dwight, of Yale is said to have a prejudice against going to bed for the night without taking a long walk His usual habit is to sit until 10 or 11 o'clock poring over his books or driving his pen and then tramp across New Haven's old green and through the deserted streets of the town He finds a walk the best thing in the world to induce sleep after study

Senator John P Jones, who used to be a bonanza king from Nevada, has been a little "down on his luck" of late years He is happy again, though, for he made a cold $1 000 000 pile in one day, a week or two ago Immense new deposits of ore were on that day found in the "Virginia Consolidated" and the stock jumped from 18 to 30

The king of Cambodia, according to the correspondent of a Paris journal, has 600 wives, chosen from the handsomest women in the whole country The entire population and territory belong to the king All the Cambodians are the king's "carmen" or slaves, and pay in rents The king himself belongs to the French resident general

The Princess of Wales lately got from Paris a winter costume trimmed with a fine dark gray fur, which she greatly admired "You are a sportsman," she shortly afterward remarked to her husband, "tell me what kind of fur this is" "I don't hunt rats and mice," he replied laughing "I leave that sport to the sewer men" And now the princess doesn't like the costume as well as she did

M Rouvier declined to be the successor of Paul Bert in Tonquin because he could not get the life insurance companies to issue him a policy to go there M Grevy tried hard to persuade him to go "Only think" he said, "you will have $30,000 a year salary $2 000 for your funeral, and $2,400 a year pension for your widow" But even that presentation of the case did not prevail

Henry Clay was very fond of poker Ben Perley Poore says that there is a tradition that while Clay was visiting Boston in 1818, and lodging at the old Exchange coffee house, in Congress street, a servant rushed into the parlor in which he was at the poker table with a few gentlemen of the old school, and announced that the hotel was on fire "Oh, there will be time enough I think" cried Mr Clay, "to finish our game," and finish it they did before the hotel was burned to the ground

Charles Dudley Warner and his fellow travelers of the Harper party the other day scattered the shells in the broad walk that leads up to the old fashioned southern house of Mrs Augusta Evans Wilson The author of "Beulah" and "Vashti" was at home, and at tap of the knocker came out with fair greeting One of the taking things served at the luncheon was "gumbo" as the Creoles make it The party is at New Orleans this week It has found the latch string out all along the line

Frank Hatton, once postmaster general, now editor of The Chicago Mail, enlisted in Uncle Sam's army when but a boy and thought it would be fun to run away from his home in Cadiz, O and join a regiment at Xenia, in which his brother in law was a captain It was awfully rainy and muddy, and after a night in camp the boy had enough and asked the captain to telegraph to his father saying that he was in camp and asking what to do Frank confidently expected to get orders to return home before he was sworn in but to his horror, the telegram that came from his stern and patriotic father read "Swear him in" and he was sworn in and served four years with honor

CHURCH NOTES

A church for the use of Italian Protestants has been opened in New York The entire service is rendered in Italian

In Devils Lake Minn there is a Presbyterian church that the neighboring people insist upon calling "The Devils Lake Church"

The railway branch of the Y M C A has sixty eight departments, not including fourteen other places where work is done for railroad men and 9 500 members

A member of a church in Cairo Ills, wanted a cuspidor in his pew Objections were made a discussion arose, the minister was sent adrift and the edifice shut up

The various denominations have contributed liberally to the relief of their brethren in Charleston The Episcopalians head the list so far with contributions aggregating $10 000

From statistics just published it appears that the Baptists in the United States have [illegible] churches with a membership of 2 572 [illegible] an increase of churches during the year of 945 and of members of 64 8[illegible]

Presbyterians and Congregationalists find that Sunday schools in Utah have been of great assistance in the fight against Mormonism There are in the whole territory fifty nine schools of these two denominations

A compiler of statistics says that there are 21 905 000 English speaking Episcopalians in the world 16 000 000 Methodists 11 000 000 Roman Catholics 10 [illegible] Presbyterians 8, 195,000 Baptists and 5 750 000 Congregationalists

A Most Pathetic Picture.

The most pathetic picture of the streets [illegible] is the children's window of a [illegible] that I pass every day The [illegible] the level of the sidewalk but [illegible] most of the interior with [illegible] cots and its prim white [illegible] with a few colored prints are [illegible] Some of the little sufferers lie on [illegible] at the vast windows looking [illegible] across the way and the [illegible] and the sky beyond with steady eyes Others who can move about [illegible] and extend their salutations to the people who pass

It is a pretty sight to see their patient pallid features light up when the greeting is returned And to the credit of the [illegible] town be it said that few pass the [illegible] from the newsboy to the fat [illegible] posting to late breakfast at his club [illegible] the corner, who have not a nod or a wave of the hand for the children [illegible] behind the plate glass

Late at night the picture takes another [illegible] The window is deserted, some dolls and toys and books heaped up still littering the ledge The lights are down [illegible] the ward and the cots masquerade [illegible] many shadows These shadows possess an odd pulsating movement, for the draft in the big room flickers the lights a little so that you can readily imagine the painful breathing of the little [illegible] to be visibly reflected on the [illegible] In the dead stillness of the [illegible] street there is a strange fascination about this vast dim room, so open to the view and yet so full of the sorrowful mystery of anguish and misery You never hear a sound suggestive of distress or [illegible] The thick plate glass deadens every noise that may arise within But the very profundity of the silence peoples it with fancied horrors and you pass on to your bed with the poor, white faces of the children of the hospital fluttering before your eyes distorted by the torments that the night must bring to them instead of the repose of happy childhood on its bed of down —Alfred Trumble in New York News

A Ghost on the Track.

I never see any ghosts or hoodoos on the track said an old grizzled engineer on the Northwestern road the other day "but there's a spot a piece up the track that I never pass without feeling sort of uneasy Seven years ago I was coming into town at a pretty lively trot when Jake my fireman who was on the lookout yelled to me that there was something on the track Although it was late in the evening and rain was falling furiously I could see a dark object on the track at the Ashland avenue crossing I gave the whistle lever a yank reversed the engine and sanded the track, but all to no purpose We were going too fast to make a quick stop and in less than five seconds the engine shot into the obstruction if such it may be called, and hurled it to one side

As we sped by I heard a scream and saw a girl dancing wildly on the sidewalk As soon as we came to a full stop I found that we had run into a baby carriage which a servant girl had abandoned in her fright at the first approaching headlight of our engine The child? Poor thing, it was crushed like an egg shell Every time I pass that crossing I see the little white face and the broidered dress all stained with red Even the old engine seems to tremble as she wheels over the spot To me this stretch of track is the worst on the whole line Other engineers have their wicked rails further out of town —Chicago Herald

George Washington's Economy.

I do in earnest enjoin upon you to see that the hay is used with the greatest economy at the Mansion House and particularly to guard against Mrs L Washington's Charles and her boy in the stables both of whom are impudent and self willed and care not how extravagantly they feed or even waste, for I have caught the boy several times littering his horses with hay Except her blind horse (which may be endangered by running at large) I see no sort of necessity there is for feeding with either grain or hay when they are not used, or any other horse that is at liberty and able to provide for itself

* * * I can plainly perceive that in a little time (after saving what oats I wanted for seed another year) there will be nothing either for my negroes or horses to eat without buying, which will neither comport with my interest or inclination By Stuart's report I find that he still continues to feed horses with corn instead of cut oats, as I directed What two saddle horses are those which stand in the Mansion House report? I know of none but the one Mr Whiting used to ride What country gentleman of our day on his city absences puts this particularity and sagacity into his queries —Donald G Mitchell in American Agriculturist

Grafting Frog's Flesh Upon a Man

An interesting operation of flesh grafting which was one of the discoveries of M Paul Bert has just been performed by a young French surgeon named Dr Dubousquet Laborderie A workman had his foot scorched by molten iron and the skin was destroyed over a surface of about eight inches by four Dr Dubousquet took four strips of flesh from the thigh of a young man and four from a frog and transferred them to the wound By great care the wounds healed in a few days

The cicatrice obtained by the frog's skin was soft elastic and inodorous that from human flesh was a little strained harder, and produced irritation on some points The patient has now been able to resume his occupation The result of the operation is of great importance in showing the superiority of frog skin, while on the other hand human flesh is not always to be had in sufficient quantities for burns or wounds of any size and the dissection of strips is very painful —Galignani's Messenger

Saratoga's Toboggan Slide

The people of Saratoga have something to look forward to in the way of pleasure in the [illegible] toboggan slide that has been erected there W B Gage one of the proprietors of the United States hotel was in New York the other day and fell to talking about tobogganing at Saratoga Among other things he said "Our toboggan hill will be nearly half a mile in length The length of the slide last year was 2 400 feet This year it will be 2 500 or 2 600 feet The club has leased the grounds for ten years and everything is being put up in permanent shape to make tobogganing a regular winter pastime There is nothing like a race down a toboggan slide to bring a good appetite The sleds go over the distance in about nineteen seconds You have hardly started before you are at the bottom The sensation is something remarkable It is only after two or three trips that one gets accustomed to the feeling of security which makes the pastime pleasurable" —New York Tribune

Massachusetts has spent $[illegible] 000 000 in soldiers' monuments since 1861

DER OAK UND DER VINE

I dond vas preaching voman's righdts
Or anyding like dot
Und I likes to see all beoples
Shust gondented mit dheir lot
But I vants to gontradict dot shap
Dot [illegible] dis leedle shoke
A voman vas der glinging vine
Und man der shurdy oak

Berhaps somedimes dot may pe drue,
But [illegible] dimes oudt off nine
I find me oudt dot man himself
Vas [illegible] glinging vine
Und vhen hees frendts dhey all vas gone,
Und he vas shust [illegible] proke,
Dot's vhen der voman shteps righdt in,
Und [illegible] der shturdy oak

Shust go oup to der pase ball groundts
Und see dhose shturdy oaks
All planted roundt ubon der seats—
Shust hear dhem laughs und shokes!
Dhen see dhose vomens at der tubs,
Mit glothes oudt on der lines
Vhich vas der shurdy oaks mine friendts
Und vhich der glinging vines?

Vhen Sickness in der householdt comes
Und veeks und veeks he shtays,
Who vas dot fightds him midout resdt
Dhose veary nighdts und days?
Who beace und gomfort alvays prings,
Und cools dot fefered prow?
More like it vas der tender vine
Dot oak he glings to now

Man vants budt leedle here pelow!
Der boet von time said,
Dhere's leedle dot man he don'd vant
I dink it meens inshted
Und vhen der years keep rolling on
Dheir [illegible] und droubles pringing
He vants to pe der shturdy oak
Und also, der glinging

Maybe vhen oaks dhey gling some more
Und dond pe so shturdy peen
Der glinging vines dhey haf some shance
To help run Life's masheen
In helt und sickness, shoy und pain
In calm or shtormy veddher,
'Tvas pedder dot dhose oaks und vines
Should alvays gling togeddher,
Charles Follen Adams in Harper's Mo

THE SCHOOL MARM

Oh School Marm
Thou who teachest the young idea
How to scoot and spankest the erstwhile
Just [illegible] small boy with a hand that taketh the
Who also lammeth him with a hickory switc
And crowneth him by laying the weight
Of a ruler upon his shoulders,
Oh!
Thou art a daisy
Thou makest him the national emblem—
Red white and blue—
Thou furnisheth the stripes,
And he seeth the stars
Oh, School Marm
We couldn't do without thee,
And we don't want to try!
Thou art lovely and accomplished
Above all women and in that thou art
Not married it is because thou art
Too smart to be caught that way!
All school marms are women
But all women are not school marms
And angels pedagogic
That's what thou hast the bulge on thy siste
Oh School Marm
Thou mayest not get much pay here below,
But cheap education is a national specialty,
And thou wilt get thy reward in heaven
The only drawback being that thou ayest
When thou goest after it and we
Who remain here below for our reward
Miss you like thunder
School Marm if there is anything we can do fo
Call on us
Apply early and avoid the rush
Office hours from 8 a m to 5 p m
We were a school boy ourself
And can show the marks of it
—Washington Cr

A VERY BUSY WOMAN

She pronounced in sounding platitude
Her universal gratitude
For men of every latitude
From the tropics to the poles.
She felt a consanguinity,
A sisterly affinity
A kind of kith and kinity
For all these foreign souls

For Caledonian Highlanders
For brutal South Sea Islanders
For wet and moist and dry landers
For Gentile Greek and Jew
For Finns and for Siberians,
For Arabs and Algerians
For Terra del Fuegians,
She was in a constant stew

O it worried Miss Sophronia,
Lest the men of Patagonia
Should all die with the pneumonia
With the phthisic or chills
Yes indeed she worried daily,
Lest a croup or cold should waylay
Some poor Soudanese or Malay
Dying for the lack of pills.

And she toiled on without measure,
And with most unstinted pleasure,
For the good of Central Asia,
And the Pagan people there,
But meantime her little sister,
Died of a neglected blister
But Sophronia hardly missed her,
For she had no time to spare
—S W Foss in Tid

Brevities.

A palindrome reads equally well back or forward, but the following stanza the palindrome in that it reads better ward than forward

Krah krah eht sgod od krab,
Eht sraggeb era gnimoc ot nwot
Emos ni sgar emos ni sgat,
Dna emos ni tevlev snwog
—Springfield Un

"The car is full of alumni," whispered Beekonstreet to her friend from the we they both journeyed Cambridgeward horse car "Yes," said the Chicago 'and how it chokes one up, don't it! der they do not open the ventilators'— ton Commercial Bulletin

"Waiter is this an old or a new be that you brought me?" "Can't you 'No" "Well, then, what difference d make?'—Fliegende Blatter

The tenor and the soprano of a Ch church were married this week The quaintance began in the choir, and a happy pair meandered up the aisle the lar organist struck up, 'We met by ch —Rambler

Papa, said little Jimmie Briefless, ' do you wear when you go to the court —your law suit?" "Oh, no, my son" r the good barrister, kindly 'That is th a man puts on when he goes naked Onl clients wear that'—Burdette

A joint canvass—that which covers a —New Orleans Picayune

More than 4 000 couplers have been p ed in this country, and yet there are dreds of thousands of men and wome unhitched —Lowell Citizen

There was a gentle ripple of merrime other day at a certain religious gath when a peculiarly staid and dignified br in referring to the denominational and trinal change in the views of the late A ram Judson, one of the pioneer missio who started for India a Congregatio and landed there a Baptist, remarked the change in Judson's views occurred he was half seas over —Springfield Uni

Coachman (who has approached Mrs B for more wages)—What would your hu say, mum if I was to ask him for a rais

Mrs Brown (who knows her husb financial disposition)—Well Henry, as I indulge in profanity you must excu from venturing an expression on that ject —W[illegible]

LOCAL NEWS.

[illegible] news on this page is taken from Friday's Daily

All the banks will close Christmas day.

Jacob Rellcrer, guardian of Eva Wicks, [illegible] fourth account

No local trains will be run on any of the railroads Christmas

Samuel G Coler and Maggie May [illegible] licensed to marry

All the railroads have paid and fixed [illegible] boys out to celebrate

J J Cresswell of Toledo, is in the city today visiting friends

George Fairchild, of Mt Gilead, was in the city today visiting friends

A turkey race is announced to occur at the rink Christmas afternoon

Will Landis and wife went to Richwood today to visit relatives over Sunday

Business men are disappointed in the weather The rain hurt trade a great deal

Prof W P Moran of Cochranton, presided at the piano at Music Hall Thursday night

The postoffice will close most of Christmas opening only between eleven and one o'clock

—Carroll Hardy, of Pittsburg arrived in the city Thursday to spend Christmas with his mother

[illegible] left for Roscommons Mich, Friday morning, to be absent ten days on a hunting trip

[illegible] of Huntington, Ind, was in the city today visiting friends and making acquaintances

Miss Maud Ball left this morning for [illegible] to spend the holidays with her [illegible] Miss Ella Mabley.

Harry Allinger, of Kenton, is in the city visiting friends and preparing himself [illegible] Christmas in Marion

Marriages are not very rife at present, at least there has not been as many licenses issued as at the same time last year

Miss Lucia May Wyant returned from Mt Auburn Cincinnati Thursday evening to spend the holidays with parents in the city

The schools dismissed this afternoon until after the holidays The boys and girls were given their grades this afternoon

Mr Frank Winter and Mrs Will J [illegible] left this morning for Richwood where they will visit relatives and friends over Christmas

All the offices of the court house will be closed tomorrow to allow the officials ample [illegible] to [illegible] Christmas turkey and [illegible] sauce

A little son of R A Boyd aged eight [illegible] died this morning at 9 o'clock This is the joyous time of Chrristmas sad [illegible] in this home

D B Mincer the eminent optician of [illegible] city is at home for the holidays In [illegible] of science the Doctor has no equal among oculists and we are glad to have him as a citizen

Beverly Hall has rented the room now occupied by Weil Bros as a dry goods store for a billiard room Mr Hall, we are informed has purchased some very fine fixtures for his room and will open about [illegible] January

A Prisoner For Life"

Despite the bad weather, Music Hall was [illegible] filled with the audience that was attracted thither and it was probably the best pleased audience of the season The plot of the play is splendid and the leading characters were well acted with the exception of the character of Louise De Lour [illegible] by Miss Vernon it was a difficult role and her unnatural acting spoiled its good effects Miss Field won the admiration of all [illegible] the manner in which she played Mignonne the heroine and Rory O Neil [illegible] in laughing humor

[illegible] the entire play was given last night it certainly has a peculiar feature It opened with a love scene between Mignonne and Charles De Boissey but in a very short time he was driven from the scene by his guardian and was seen no more in the play While Charles was not missed it is very likely his character was dropped for the evening because of the place The scenery could not half be used

Cochranton

GUARD was off duty last week but there was no change in affairs since our last and consequently not much news

Mrs Jacob Shultz is improving

[illegible] Potter is still confined with lung trouble

Mrs Dr Briggs is complaining considerably of lung trouble

Hank Baker's infant son is very dangerously ill with lung fever

Mrs Thomas Moon has been very sick but is out of danger

Dr Chris Briggs is very attentive and [illegible] to his many patients

We have two very prosperous schools under the direction of Prof John Virden and Miss Allie Mills of Lalue

Our band boys had a very enjoyable time [illegible] oyster supper Good oysters and plenty of them with lots of other sweet [illegible] good humor general happiness [illegible] was the order of the evening

D[illegible] 1886 GUARD

Waldo School Report

Below can be found the grades of the pupils in the Waldo High school for the last month in 1886

Ollie Saunders	95	Myrtle Justice	82
[illegible] Crawford	85	W D Kriner	82
Ella Saunders	96	D D Drake	8[illegible]
D[illegible] Straub	95	Frank Crawford	79
[illegible] Saunders	96	Joe McCluggage	80
M[illegible] Stain	92	Dora Gabler	75
[illegible]	91	Willie Straub	74
[illegible] Hall	88	John Gompf	79
[illegible]	81	Emma Kriner	69
[illegible]	85	Guy Elliott	58
[illegible] Cellett	84		

W A SAGER, Supt

A Family Blessing

[illegible] Liver Regulator [illegible] the favorite [illegible] remedy—is entirely vegetable [illegible] the purest and best family medicine [illegible] No error to be feared [illegible] no injury from exposure [illegible] taking no loss of time It is [illegible] preventive medicine, and safe [illegible] take no matter what the sickness may prove to be, and in any ordinary diseases will effect a speedy cure

JOY TO THE WORLD,

CHRISTMASTIME HAS COME TO GLADDEN THE HEARTS OF ALL.

The Programme of Festivities in Marion, Affording Pleasures to All,—Christmas Eve to be a Great Time For the Little Ones Tonight

While none of the churches will celebrate Christmas eve with unusual elaborateness, there will be ample and appropriate entertainment for young and old

METHODIST EPISCOPAL

The Methodist Episcopal church dispenses with the Christmas tree this year but the Sabbath school will be entertained suitably in the basement Music and appropriate speeches, together with a treat to the little ones by Santa Claus

FREE BAPTIST

Appopriate literary and musical entertainment with the Star of Bethlehem makes up the programme at the Free Baptist church on east Center street The little folks will enjoy a distribution of presents after the exercises are concluded

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

The exercises by the Sunday school promise to be of a very entertaining character at this church and the hearts of the little ones will be gladdened by the fruit of a heavily ladened Christmas tree The exercises will be given in the auditorium

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH

The entertainment at this church will be given Christmas night Like most of the others there will be singing recitations and addresses, and a Christmas tree

GERMAN M E

The occasion will be observed by German M E Sunday school, but on no extensive plan A few pleasing exercises and a general distribution of presents will take place

THE EVANGELICAL CHURCH

At this church there will be a meeting and appropriate services held at 10 o'clock *Christmas morning* Presents will be assorted among the children

CHURCH OF CHRIST

The exercises at this church have already been published in these columns A Christmas tree, appropriate exercises and a distribution of presents is expected to afford grand good old time

UNITED BRETHREN

At this church, like all the rest a free invitation is given to all There will be appropriate exercises and a general distribution of presents by the Three Wise Men of the East, who will deliver from their tent at the church

THE GERMAN PROTESTANT CHURCH

A Christmas tree and a varied programme of exercises will be given the Sunday school of the German *Evangelical Protestant* church, on south East street A fine time is promised

GERMAN REFORM

The festivities at this church will be given Saturday evening It will be similar to most others—a Christmas tree and suitable exercises to the occasion

ST PAUL'S

At St Paul's church the Christmas services will consist of holy communion and a sermon The music by the surpliced choir under the direction of Mrs Jos Johnston will be as follows

Processional Hymn No 20 Hark What Means Those Holy Voices

Hymn No 17 'Hark the Herald Angels sing' solo by Louis Throckmorton chorus by full choir

Kyrie Eleison Walter

'Gloria Tibi, Emerson

Hymn No 17, Come Hither Ye Faithful Adisti

'Ascription Cornell

Tenor Solo O Savior Hear Me Dudly Buck solo by Arthur Runyan

Offertory Thou Art Worthy

Sursum Corda

'Trisagion'

Hymn No 207, Eucharistic

Nunc Dimittis Gregorian

Recessional Hymn No 48 Hark Hark My Soul'

Christmas services for the Sunday School will be held on Sunday at 3 30 p m

REGULAR BAPTIST

The Regular Baptist church will have an entertainment consisting of rehearsals by the children and *singing* also Miss Lucy May Wyant who has been teaching in Cincinnati will render two choice readings A Santa Claus and his snow house will be one of the chief features Santa will treat all of the audience *and will give a special* treat for all the Sabbath school All are invited to come and enjoy a Christmas eve with the school

GREGORY'S NEW GRIST MILL

Has Its First Accident Thursday Afternoon—Fred Dunlap, of Columbus, the Unfortunate

Thursday afternoon about five o'clock Fred Dunlap, a millwright from Columbus, was the subject of the most unfortunate accident

While Dunlap was removing a bolt from a dust fan in the upper story of the mill *his hand slipped* off the belt into the revolving fan Quick as flash the work was done and as Dunlap pulled back his hand he discovered that four of his fingers on the left hand had been cut off Medical assistance was immediately summoned and Dr Sweney assisted by Dr Rhu dressed the hand

Dunlap is married and has a family dependent upon him and as he has been unfitted for his trade since he has lost the fingers of his left hand great sympathy is felt for him among his fellows He left Friday morning for his home in Columbus

It is hoped that the company for which he was *working* will give him a position whereby he may gain a livelihood for him *self and family* Three fingers on his hand were taken off at the lower joints, while his front finger was taken off at the second joint

—Ed Pollock of Caledonia, and a former correspondent of the Mansfield Herald at Bucyrus, was in the city today visiting friends and making Christmas purchases

HIGH TEA

Mesdames J S Beale and Dr Adams entertain a Selected Number of Invited Guests at the Home of Mrs Beale Thursday Evening

One of the pleasantest affairs of the season occurred at the residence of Mrs J S Beale, on East Center street Thursday evening, it being the occasion of a high tea party which was most highly relished by those fortunate enough to be present

The elite of the city assembled at the parlors of the above mentioned ladies at 6 o'clock p m and from that period until the close of the festivities at 11 o'clock it was one joyous round of pleasurable enjoyment

The waiters, Charles Wheatly Mrs Jones Mrs Goode were efficient in every respect and gave general satisfaction to all

The dresses of the ladies were elaborate in every detail they consisted of the following

Pale colored silk and cardinal velvet with diamonds black silk lace and diamonds, wine colored velvet brocaded silk purple and old gold brocade black satin and cardinal satin delicate shade of blue satin and white lace black silk and lace Two of the guests wore black satin with natural flowers black satin lace and jets with natural flowers black satin with lace and blue cashmere and velvet The gentlemen wore the regulation swallow tail and Prince Albert

Dr Uhler Dr Adams Mrs Dr Adams and Ed Uhler gave some excellent music, and those present improved the occasion by indulging in the merry waltz All retired well pleased and with the full conviction that a most enjoyable time had been spent

CHRISTMAS TALK.

Christmas with all its endearing memories is again upon us On the eve of so auspicious event, we look back into the history of one year and contemplate the changes that have been wrought by time, and the natural desire of frail humanity

Christmas will dawn upon America [illegible] apparently will be enjoying the [illegible] which, by custom, has been made the day of merry making and general [illegible] We, who enjoy ourselves, will not think of the hearts that will be sore, or those who possibly will shiver in the cold blasts of a December wind No thought of the poorly provided table of the unfortunate victims of poverty will [illegible] the mind of those who have all [illegible] that wealth can give to [illegible] happy the throng surrounding the festal board

Life has its strange mutations, its pleasures joys and weary sorrows We give but little thought to those who are unfortunate to those who experience great sorrow we have no word of sympathy

We live in a cold, unsympathetic world, we are all more or less sordid and wrapt up in ourselves, and all our acts and the motives which actuate them have no interests to serve more than those of self

As the church bells on the morrow peal forth their merry tones many hearts will palpitate with excessive joy and, oh, how many hearts there will be that look upon the day as a mockery and regard each tone that is sent forth by the ponderous metal as a cavil against their misfortunes and their misery.

It is nature that brings us to believe that life is a battle wherein we must exercise our utmost powers to counteract the machinations of unprincipled men We look upon every itinerant as an unworthy object and cast aside his appeals for help We are all wordly, intensely worldly It is the aim of all to live for self to have no thought but of self, and to regard no person so fit to assume responsibilities as self It was always so, and it will always remain so

It should be the aim of all to live a purer better life, *to regard the sufferings* of a fellow creature as partly our own, to aid and strengthen the bonds of unity between man and man, and to trust in the first-ruling providence of Almighty God The first essential to learn is charity, charity is the forerunner of all acts of goodness, and after it has once become a fixture in the heart of man the rest is most easy to contemplate Let all then, awaken on the morrow with hearts filled with gratitude and love, and with the firm and unflinching determination to live more strictly to the commandments of Him who reigns above

Real Estate Transfers

J [illegible] Monnett to Byron Monnett 80 acres in Scott tp $6000

H TenEich (by Sheriff) to Robt M TenEich 80 acres in Grand Prairie tp $4000

H TenEich to Robt M TenEich, 80 acres in Salt Rock tp $4087 10

Cassius Mouser to [illegible] and F B Titu, 120 acres in Grand tp $3600

J C Pangburn to Swartz & Porter 6¾ acres in Big Island tp $2780

Swartz & Porter to Mary E Yiechner 6¾ acres in Big Island tp $[illegible]

W R Lawrence to John [illegible] Merchant [illegible] acres in Marion tp $72

Ira Uhler to Henry True [illegible] 100 acres in Marion tp, $1250

Ira Uhler to J S Reed 5 55 100 acres in Marion tp $1250

Jessie J Jamison to Andrew Leffler 4 43 100 acres in Marion corp, $400

H Gurley to H M and H F Mumford 10 acres in Marion corp $400

H True to Margaret E Bush ¼ acre in Marion corp $300

H F Barnhart to C C Fisher Lot 922 in Marion $900

E Columbus to G W Fields lots 3 and 4 in Marion $1200

C W Hinds to Wm W Coulter 60 acres in Claridon tp $3600

H J VanFleet to John Geiser, 14 acres in Richland tp $750

J Geiser to Jacob Klingle 14 acres in Richland tp $700

E Hughes to Olney & Chase, 23 4-5 acres in Pleasant tp $1000

John Brundige to John L Brundige, 121½ acres in Waldo tp $5000

WANT TO TRY THE PLATFORM

The Manager of a Lecture Bureau Tells of His Trials and Tribulations

"At about this time of the year when the woodchuck takes a farewell view of the clover field and goes head first into a hole says the manager of a lecture bureau, "the platform fiends begin to crawl out and make life miserable for me Everybody thinks he she or it can lecture *Only yesterday a big man with a* thick neck and a forehead like a hen's came in here and wanted me to put him up to the lecture racket,' as he called it He said What der public wants is ter look at me I'm famous, I am Well, what do you suppose was the basis of his desire to go upon the lecture platform? He had once challenged Sullivan and fought him I don't know how many rounds—through the newspapers I promised to let him know if any church lecture committee sent for him Nearly all the bridge jumpers have sent in applications for jobs on the rostrum and I have here a letter from an ex bank cashier asking if I have any dates open on the other side of the Canada line I replied that the Canadian demand for attractions seemed to be filled, but there was a vacancy in the course of the Sing Sing Moral Improvement society which he might fill to general satisfaction I told him the terms there were usually liberal but he hasn't accepted the offer

'The other day a man came in and wanted to be put on the list for a scientific lecture, *which he said* was in a popular style and very instructive He struck me so favorably that I asked him to bring the lecture in the next day and let me look over it He said he called it 'The Resources of Civilization He came with a gripsack took out a roll of manuscript and some curious apparatus and proceeded to read me an essay on high explosives He took up something that looked like compressed sawdust—he said it was 'vigorite'—and announced that although by percussion it would explode with terrific violence he could and would safely pound it with a hammer I seized the hammer as it was about to fall and bundled him out of the office He was a *theoretical Nihilist*

"And then the elocutionists, as they call themselves The good Lord deliver me from that tribe They all want to inflict upon an abused public 'Curfew Shall Not Ring To night' They are almost as bad as the funny men of western country papers, who have been copied all over the country and have got up rehashes of Joe Miller and Artemus Ward that they want to fire off under titles that have no earthly connection with the subjects on which they propose to speak

'Perhaps you don't believe more than half of this, but it is all solemn fact Why, what would you say if I should tell you that Wiggins, the El Mahdi of Ottawa wanted me to arrange for him an eastern circuit, so that he could deliver a lecture on 'My Storms and How They Have Been Sidetracked by an Unscientific Providence' Well, perhaps that wasn't just the title of it but at any rate he wanted to talk on that weary old chestnut the weather I wouldn't be surprised if a discharged patient from an inebriate asylum should walk in here and ask me to star him in the church courses with a thrilling monologue on *Snakes* or, *How I Had 'Em!* Hark! I heard somebody coming You wait and see if it isn't an aspirant for fame and fortune on the lecture platform

The door opened, and a tall, good looking and well dressed woman entered She had a society air, but an independent, *determined look withal* She had been left to her own resources by the death of her husband, and she wanted to earn her own living with the capital of a good presence, a fair voice and a slight knowledge of the art of public reading, acquired in an amateur way It was no use trying to discourage her She was determined to try and knew she could succeed So her name was booked after some consultation When she had gone the manager of the bureau said "She wants to lecture on cranks, and I think I can give her plenty of points"—"Uncle Bill' in Chicago Herald

As to Wearing Whiskers.

Two fallacies are in vogue regarding the whisker question One is that a thin faced man should support side whiskers to widen his face, the other that a round faced fat man should favor long chin whiskers to lengthen his face Both are adopted on the counter action and antidote principle, but are wrong as wrong can be A man with a sharp chin exposed is thin and appears thin in spite of his *Burnsides* And a *moon shaped man* gives himself a humorous and clownish appearance by wearing a long sharp tuft on his chin The principle of conformity should be observed or a whole *the change* made A thin man, for instance should not wear chin whiskers, nor whiskers at all or a beard He no more looks well with side whiskers and a peaked chin than he would to stuff his chest and not his cheeks and calves To look well he must *be uniformly and consistently thin or he* may modify it by a complete beard A fat man should be smooth faced or wear universal whiskers pretty closely cropped The well proportioned and moderately full faced man may vary the style and quantity of his whiskers with impunity so far as the thin or broad appearance is concerned A very short beard gives an animal look, if very large it indicates vanity or crankiness —Cincinnati Graphic

A Perishable Cargo

Mr William Parsons, the lecturer was one day a passenger on a big sleigh away up in Michigan On the road they met another sleigh not nearly so big as their *own* The little sleigh kind of kept to the middle of the drifted road, and the driver of the big sleigh kind of turned clear out and kind of turned his sleigh clear over and plunged his six or seven passengers up to their necks or heels in the chilly *drifts,* just as they happened to be shot in head first or feet foremost Loud was their wrath They wanted to mob their cowardly driver "Why didn't you make that little fellow turn out?" 'Why didn't you upset him?" "Why didn't you run over him?" they demanded 'Could of done it," said the driver, groping about in the snow for stray valises, "but I kind o hated to spoil his load' "What was he hauling?" demanded the lecturer Dynamite for the mines," said the driver They accepted his apology without division, and the work of excavating to the buried Troy the entombed dress [illegible] and 'The Heroes of the Homeric Age' went on in silence —Burdette in Brooklyn Eagle

When Arthur was a Pedagogue

Chester A Arthur during his sophomore year at Union was compelled to leave college and teach a village school at Schaghticoke, Rensselaer county for the narrow remuneration of $15 a month It is remarkable how many of our presidents were pedagogues before they became statesmen —Chicago Times.

Tourists Fashionable Routes

[illegible] Americans [illegible] always follow beaten tracks [illegible] going [illegible] there for no better reason than [illegible] tourists have been doing the same thing for generations The mass of persons who decide to visit Europe do not make up their minds what they want to see or what is most worth seeing They merely wish to travel in the same direction and in the same way visiting the same places and having the same experiences that their fathers and grandfathers have done Nineteen out of twenty tourists at this season go to London Paris, run into Switzerland, descend the Rhine, return to Paris by Brussels recross the channel to Liverpool and sail back home with the impression that they have exhausted Europe or at least whatever is really interesting They make another journey perhaps a third and a fourth but they usually cover the same ground Their object is less to become acquainted with the old world than to be able to say that they have seen there

Until within a few years few tourists went to Holland and even now not one in a hundred goes to Spain Some of the most curious and attractive towns abroad like Ravenna Rimini Siena, Prague, Chartres Tours Regensburg, Louvain Burges Liege though on the regular routes, are neglected because the ordinary traveler has not cared to visit them If a man can go to Europe but once, and is limited as to time and money he must do the best he can But why need he repeat his narrow experience again and again when he can just as easily and cheaply have new? Generally, however, it is not those with small means who travel so stupidly it is they who have ample income and are pursuing the phantom fashion Of the thousands and thousands of our compatriots who have gone abroad this year how very small will be the proportion that will come back with fresh ideas or any actual stock of added knowledge? —New York Commercial Advertiser

The Quaker "Thou"

When the novelists of the last century had occasion to introduce a Quaker into their fictions they took care to mark him well by overlaying his speech with "thee and thou and indeed, at one time this phrase was a common slang term for the Friends The use of these pronouns is partially a survival of the time when the lower orders employed them habitually and is a curious instance of the correctness of phrase surviving among the very persons who next to pedants and scientists are currently credited with being the corrupters of the language, while the *educated had fallen into grammatical* incorrectness The Quaker writers affirm, however that the use of you' instead of the thou' of the grammars originally rose from a desire to compliment the person addressed by ascribing to him the importance belonging to two or more and wrote many tractates in support of their view Be this as it may, it is indisputable that technical correctness was on their side and sovereign and newspaper editor are alike incorrect when they use the imposing we in place of the plebeian I To say thou (pro forma) to a man was it will be remembered, in the reigns of Elizabeth and James I, simply to insult him I thou thee, thou taitor, cried Coke to Raleigh when the latter was being tried for his life —London Society

Hint From a Watchmaker

People spend a great deal of money needlessly for having their watches cleaned said a Maiden lane jeweler the other day A gentleman living in New Jersey called here one day last week and said his watch had stopped unexpectedly and then gone on again the same as usual He wanted it *cleaned* as he feared that if it stopped again he might lose a train Most jewelers would have taken the watch cleaned it and charged him $3 or $4 for the work The proper thing to do if a watch acts in that way is to take note of the hour *minute* and second when it stopped Then a jeweler can see just where the dirt that has stopped the works lies and can remove it by fastening down the main spring and taking off the balance wheel Otherwise he should have to clean all the works not knowing which particular part needed cleaning I told my customer this and he had only a trifle to pay for having his watch put in order If the watch had really needed cleaning all over it is not likely that it would have gone on again after stopping"—New York Sun

Hairpin Statistics of New York

The hairpin statistics of New York city are among the most interesting and will furnish food for thought even among the most [illegible] It is estimated that some 81[illegible] 000 hairpins are sold annually in this city, and giving half of this amount to women outside of the city who *do their shopping here leaves each mem*ber of the fair sex in Gotham just 845 hairpins a year Then when all the babies, little school girls who wear their hair flowing or braided in pigtails, and the hundreds of young ladies who prefer shingled locks are counted out, almost double that amount is given each woman with long back hair

Where do the 172 500,000 hairpins go every year? One would expect to find them scattered all over the town, yet how seldom are they encountered on the sidewalk and the weekly sweeping at home fails to gather but a half dozen or so even though a hundred may have been lost in that same house —New York Journal

A Great American Accomplishment

It is quite a trick to jump off a train going down say at thirty miles an hour and the Americans take a pride in cultivating dexterity in this trick It takes considerable [illegible] practice before it can be done su[illegible] The way to jump is always [illegible] and on the left hand side of the [illegible] letting the right foot rest on the step and the left foot swing *from the step Then jump so that the left* foot will touch the ground first and the right foot immediately follow it [illegible] be able [illegible] Some of the [illegible] jump from the [illegible] of the train or the front but most of them go to the rear end and jump so that if they fall they will not fall under the cars A correspondent [illegible] 'The best man I ever saw at it [illegible] man who could hold his feet [illegible] himself without running at all [illegible] Charles Phillips He could jump [illegible] train running thirty five miles an hour and stop without running a foot [illegible] Journal

To Toughen Paper

In order to render paper as tough as wood or leather a plan has been devised which it is said effectually accomplishes that purpose namely by combining chloride of zinc with the pulp in the course of manufacture It has been found *that the greater the degree of concentra*tion of the zinc solution the greater will be the toughness of the paper and that it is thus serviceable for making boxes, combs, etc —New York Sun.

EBB TIDE

[illegible] is low and the long reach
Of [illegible] sands
[illegible] like the beach
Of [illegible]
Among [illegible] children run
[illegible] women come
[illegible] drying in the sun

[illegible] on the tide is out
[illegible]
[illegible] of storms may sweep without
[illegible] bar
[illegible] the veering gale
[illegible] the distant sail
[illegible] our weak hearts fail

[illegible] the returning tide
Creeps up the sands,
[illegible] with warm colors dyed
[illegible]
The fresh[illegible] waits the sounds of joy
From lips of many a happy boy
[illegible] brings a new toy

[illegible] sail flits across the bar
[illegible]
But [illegible] the evening star
[illegible]
[illegible] With him beside
[illegible]
[illegible] tides

Gen Lee's Early Boyhood Days

I have recently seen at Mr Ezekiel's *studio the clay model of Gen Lee as a boy* of 11 which it is hoped will be erected in marble in front of the house of Lee's childhood in Westmoreland county, Va, on the site of the tombs of many of his followers who fell in the war The figure is exceedingly characteristic and full of life and the face rejuvenated by Mr Ezekiel from his own bronze portrait model of the general in later life gives eloquently the promise of what was to come

The boy is father to the man' here in very truth The right hand holding a little simple cap rests on the small stump of an oak tree while the left brought up to about the waist clasps a Bible with one finger between the leaves The youthful figure is slightly turned from right to left and the head is erect and thrown back a little as if to catch the light breeze which blows apart the folds of the boy's simple blouse and reveals in part the promise of strength and the compactness in the figure The small feet, for which the Lee family are famous, are finely modeled, as also the slim, boyish leg in its neat stocking and breeches buttoning below the knee

'I had by a mere chance an interesting *opportunity of judging the faithfulness of* the likeness as a mere likeness, if hereditary resemblances are to count for any thing While I was examining the figure in detail there came into the studio a lady with three pretty daughters, who was introduced to me as Mrs Cooper, daughter of Gen Lee's first cousin One of the young ladies aged about 15 bore so striking a resemblance to the boyish portrait of her illustrious relative as to make it certain even to a stranger's eye that they were of the same stock and, indeed, Mrs Cooper (who is usually called the "niece" of Gen Lee though really the cousin once removed, and was on terms of the greatest affection and confidence with him) declared that any member of the family must be satisfied with the striking likeness apart from the artistic merit of the work —Rome Cor Philadelphia Bulletin

Breeding Irish Lions

In the gardens of the Royal Zoological society of Dublin, whose lion breeding has become famous, no less than 131 lion cubs have been born since 1857 They were the offspring of 9 lionesses and 4 lions one lioness having been the mother of 55 cubs Of 131 cubs 110 were reared The females greatly exceeded the males, the numbers being 74 to 56, with the sex of 1 unrecorded No lion or lioness ever lived in the gardens for more than sixteen years and it is probable that twelve to fourteen years is the average duration of lion life This interesting family traces its ancestry to a pair of lions brought from South Africa in 1855 —Arkansaw Traveler

Nightingale and Mocking Bird.

There is at Leeds, England, an ornithological association Among other things they study the songs of wild birds *Not long ago they pitted a full song ac*climated nightingale against a Yankee mocking bird They sang together, and then they sang apart First the nightingale led off until everything he sang was duplicated and improved upon by our *national songster Then the mocking* bird struck off into a new field of song The nightingale listened, but did not repeat He pined away and died within a week —New York Sun

The Eiffel Tall Tower.

The French have always been fond of saying that the Americans who boast of their ugly Washington monument, must have souls dead to art and eyes capable of appreciating mere size but among the Frenchmen who under the presidency of M Lockroy, have voted a subvention of 1,500 000 francs for the construction of the Eiffel tall tower M Tirard was the only one who had a word against this ugly *mass of iron framework*, which has less artistic merit than the Coney Island elephant —The Argonaut

A Characteristic of Snakes.

There's a curious characteristic about snakes *said Stevens and that is that* they won't eat anything unless they kill it themselves You can throw dead rats and dead birds into the cage with them till you're tired and they'll never touch them But put a live rat or a live bird in and they'll nail it and eat it in a twinkling' —Cincinnati Enquirer

A Huge Redwood Tree

Lately a redwood tree was cut on the south fork of Elk river Humboldt county, Cal which was sawed into twenty one cuts four of which were 16 feet long, twelve were 20 feet long and five were 24 feet long making the total length 424 feet An accurate tally at the mill showed that the twenty one logs furnished 79,730 feet of lumber —New York Sun

Trying to the Patience

The many silly questions that are asked at railroad ticket offices would try the *patience of a saint The other day a man* stepped up to the window at Port Jervis and asked 'Will this train coming now leave before the one going next?' The agent said he would have to give it up —Susquehanna Transcript

Fish Eggs for Switzerland.

One million eggs of the whitefish with 50 000 eggs of the lake trout have been sent to Switzerland When hatched the young fry will be placed in the Swiss lakes of Zurich Zug and Geneva, each taking 80 000 whitefish and 10,000 lake trout —Chicago News

Dishonesty in the church is really crip*pling the church* more than anything else —Rev Sam Jones

One of the popular dishes in southern cities is redsnappers

In the pure soul although it sing or pray
The Christ is born anew from day to day
The life that knoweth Him shall bide apart
And keep eternal Christmas in the heart
ELIZABETH STUART PHELPS

CHRISTMAS

Hang up the [illegible] and [illegible]
Sign the cross over the [illegible]
That joy [illegible] with the Christmas
May [illegible] from the place of sorrow

Gather [illegible] gifts for the children
Guard well the mystical day
That the Christ child comes at the midnight
[illegible] and bright favors the day

Bring in [illegible] and be merry
Dance and sing out glad song
The stars of a [illegible] [illegible]
Look [illegible] Christ happy throng

Go ye in love and lightly
Guests to bring to the feast
Angels shall unawares greet ye
In these the [illegible] the least

Sound the sweet Christmas anthem
Echoes will bear it on high
To the angels [illegible] [illegible]
By Christmas [illegible] in the sky

Bow down and worship the spirit
Of the feast the invisible King
For He cometh in [illegible] people
To gather a [illegible] offering
MARIE LE BARON

THE CHRISTMAS ROSE

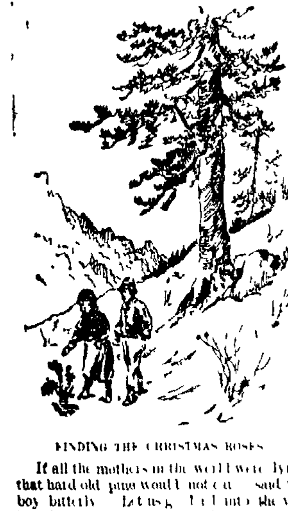
A little way up one of the Rhætian Alps, beneath the shade of an old black pine, grew a Christmas rose* The summer had passed and the short days had come, when the wind blows and the snow flies and the hardy little mountain rose had two buds "Dear me," fretted the rose "I wish I could blossom when other plants do There would be some pleasure in displaying oneself to the dainty blue gentian or the pretty eyebright, but with no one to admire me I see no use in blooming at all"

'Ho! ho' laughed the old pine, waving his shaggy arms 'Ho! ho what a little grumbler The snow and I will admire you You are named after the blessed Christ child, and ought to be happy and contented Push up through the deepening snow, little friend and expand your buds into perfect blossoms we were all made for a wise purpose and we shall know what it is when the time comes if'——

Just then the north wind blew so hard the old pine was quite out of breath and for some reason he never renewed the conversation

"All the world is dead except the pine and me," murmured the rose 'and perhaps I had better follow his advice If I was made for a wise purpose I shall not be forgotten So she took good care of her beautiful buds and the day before Christmas the black pine saw her blossoms white and perfect peering up through the white snow

Now, the two little children of Klotz the wood cutter, were nearly heartbroken for their mother was sick and that morning the kind neighbor who had watched by her side through the night had said 'God pity this home, I fear your mother will die before night' Then father sat by the fireplace speechless with grief and answered them neither by word nor look when they crept up to him for comfort So at last they stole out of the door, and, hand in hand wandered a short way up the mountain side following the forester's tracks till they came in sight of the old black pine



FINDING THE CHRISTMAS ROSES

If all the mothers in the world were dying that hard old pine would not care said the boy bitterly 'Let us go [illegible] into the valley, sister there we will find good people with kind hearts while here there is no one to care for us'

'There is one who cares for us even here' cried the sister spying the Christmas roses and in a moment she had scraped away the snow and plucked them 'We had forgotten the Christ child and that tomorrow is His birthday Let us take the roses to the church and there pray that mother's life may be spared'

So they hastened down the mountain to the village church where they found the good pastor busy trimming the altar for the Christmas festival He took the flowers and put them with some feathery moss into a tall white vase Then he knelt with the children and prayed for them in their [illegible] and the roses nodding on their stems smiled as though the gift asked for were already granted When they returned home their father met them at the door and exclaimed joyfully 'The fever has turned [illegible] mother is better Thank God'

The Christmas rose had fulfilled [illegible] Ah me the little pine was right We are all made for a wise purpose [illegible] learn what it is [illegible]

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*The Christmas rose [illegible] the family Hellebore [illegible] from the [illegible] flowers [illegible] in cold [illegible] with [illegible]

God [illegible]
night
For [illegible]
happy night
Along the hills [illegible]
day
When Christ [illegible] Nazareth was born in
Christmas day

AN EDITOR'S CHRISTMAS.

This is Mr Worthington's story just as he told it to a number of us one Christmas evening at [illegible] House Mr Worthington is not Mr Worthington at all in real life but a very famous man whose tongue and pen carry great weight

My first journal was a country weekly in Doonville A flourishing and famous journal it was my kindly disposed contemporaries [illegible] of it in their able pages Its name was The Trumpet and I speak only the plain truth when I say that it gave forth no uncertain sound I was a very young man and very ambitious I thought I knew exactly what a forceful weekly newspaper should be and I hadn't the least doubt of my capacity to construct and manipulate such an engine of [illegible] moral advancement That is the way of the very young God bless them before they have had a hand to hand encounter with life they feel so strong and confident that they fancy they can do anything and this very belief [illegible] is what makes the phenomenal successes often achieved [illegible] The Spaniards have a proverb He who expects good luck will get it and it is as true as [illegible] Believe you can do anything and you can if any one can do it Success like the art of swimming is largely a matter of confidence

I worked very hard on The Trumpet I was business manager editor and [illegible] I had very decided ideas in regard to altering the world and started out with the praiseworthy intention of extinguishing several giant wrongs, under which I plainly saw that society suffered We all have the reformatory spirit in us strong in our youth than later on for then, perhaps that we haven't fully measured the strength of our antagonist the existing system of things I was sincerely anxious to thoroughly represent all worthy local interests To that end I scoured Doonville night and day and wrote up all sorts of things that never before had been recorded by pen or immortalized in type I wanted to wake up my fellow townsmen and women to the interests that lay close around them and of all things I wanted them to properly appreciate The Trumpet

I intended to issue a magnificent Christmas number of my beloved journal twice its ordinary size and brim full of the most alluring holiday matter I could create and rake up To perfect that number I almost worked myself into a decline Looking back upon it now from the standpoint of what I beg to be permitted to call mature common sense I commend myself heartily for the industry zeal and confidence I nursed into respectable development in those old hard working moneyless days on The Trumpet

Among other attractive features for my Christmas paper I determined to write up the very poor of Doonville I could thus be the means of conferring two benefactions—giving the rich a chance to taste of the blessing of giving for it is more blessed to give than to receive and also open the way for the poor to be helped And on Christmas you know all hearts are said to be tenderer and more generous and many are glad of an opportunity to do something for the needy

Doonville was a small place, and so very prosperous that I scarcely knew where to go to hunt people so poor that I dare intrude upon them and tell their wants in my valuable and widely circulated paper Many of its citizens were very rich and none whom I personally knew had fallen below decent and tolerable poverty But down below Doon's mills on the river bank were some broken down houses about whose doors I had sometimes seen very ragged and very dirty children playing I determined to go thither and investigate

I had this thought in my mind as I was going to office one morning just two days before Christmas I determined to go out that afternoon and begin the search I hadn't gone far when I met 'Calamity Parker' That was what I called him when my speech was without frills for I held him in great contempt

He was a tall thin broken down creature who posed as a gentleman and moved about with a solemn unhealthful gait and distributed religious tracts He always seemed to me a frightful excrescence on society although he had the discretion to say but little It fretted my progressive spirit to see him crawling around thrusting his weak literature under more intelligent and busier people's eyes The day and generation are beyond tracts I said to myself and here is this threadbare fraud keeping up the relic of fogyism I despised him so heartily I could hardly speak a decent good morning as he passed me I think he felt that I disliked him but he had cultivated the unctuous affectation of godliness and an appearance of patience and sweetness under slights and taunts and invariably returned a smile for a frown That very habit made him detestable to me

I began to think about him as I went along He had only been in Doonville a couple of years and I hadn't ever heard of his doing anything but distribute tracts and preach on the street corners down by the mills I concluded that it was time he was abolished Accordingly my first work on reaching the office was to write a half column editorial article on religious frauds in which the practice of tract distributing received merited castigation I drew a picture of the typical tract man of which Parker was the model which wasn't calculated to make his path in Doonville any smoother This incisive, and I may say able article which was certainly a flaming sword of righteous wrath against the tract fraternity was to adorn the Christmas number

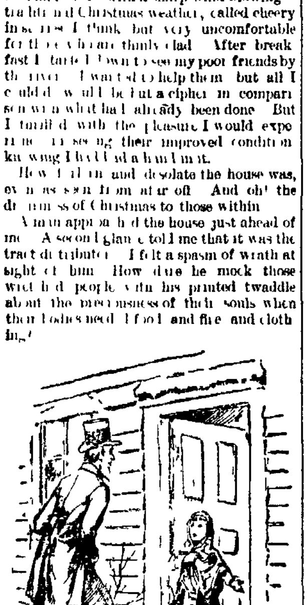
Then I started out in my [illegible] self satisfied spirit It is delightful to do something that wins one's own approbation [illegible] the result was that it [illegible] his permission [illegible] crawling [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] a wan and ragged little girl [illegible] big old eyes [illegible] and did all I [illegible] relief Then I rushed to the office of The Trumpet and wrote such an account of them as would stir to [illegible] the good people of Doonville to their door with abundant relief It was a long and graphic article, and realistic to a startling degree We were not illustrating newspapers then as now, so I could only picture the suffering of this family in words However I gave the article tremendous head lines and a prominent place The Trumpet was issued the next day which was the day before Christmas, and it went forth on its work of arousing the pity of Doonville for the family in the old house by the river I was very busy all that day and could not go to see them But when night came and I lay down to rest I had the satisfaction of feeling that they were provided for, and that I had been the instigating cause of their relief I fancied the surprise and sorrow the benevolent Mrs Barclay would feel when she visited their starving and as she was sure to do after reading my article And how distressed I thought Mr Archibald Doon would be when he realized that so sad a case of want existed in the town of which he was so proud And others—ever so many others—would be equally interested and equally helpful In imagination I saw the philanthropists of the the community, one after another going down to the old house by the river [illegible] and sympathy

[illegible] morning was Christmas. It was cold and [illegible] with a sharp wind blowing—traditional Christmas weather, called cheery in stories I think but very uncomfortable for those who are thinly clad After breakfast I started down to see my poor friends by the river I wanted to help them but all I could do would be but a cipher in comparison with what had already been done But I thrilled with the pleasure I would experience in seeing their improved condition knowing I had had a hand in it.

How forlorn and desolate the house was, even as seen from afar off And oh! the dreariness of Christmas to those within

As I approached the house just ahead of me A second glance told me that it was the tract distributor I felt a spasm of wrath at sight of him How dare he mock those wretched people with his printed twaddle about the preciousness of their souls when their bodies needed food and fire and clothing?



THE THIN LITTLE GIRL OPENED THE DOOR.

He knocked and the thin little girl with the pale delicate face opened the door, came out and shut it behind her The tract distributor took off his hat she looked up at him, and I knew she spoke, though I was not near enough to hear what she said I noticed too, that she raised her hand in gesture—a solemn and intensely dramatic gesture it seemed to me, for one so young to make unconsciously A queer sort of chill crept over me The tract distributor opened the door and went in but she stood outside, and I was still standing there when I reached the door

Somehow when I was quite near her I could find no words to utter She seemed to understand and pointing to the door, said 'You can go in if you want to Father died this morning'

I stood speechless in the presence of that childish [illegible] sorrow

'But help came to you yesterday?' I said, my heart sinking as a possibility I had never thought of flashed into my mind

'Yes [illegible] the man who has just gone in—came and was very kind He stayed by father all night and was only away a little while but father died while he was gone'

'And—did—did—nobody else come yesterday' I stammered

'Nobody else' said the child looking up surprised at the question

[illegible] ashamed to go in and face the tract distributor in the presence of the dead he had comforted and whom I had left for others to comfort—others who never came

He greeted me with gentle kindness, and as I [illegible] his hand in that woeful dwelling I inwardly bent before him in self abasement

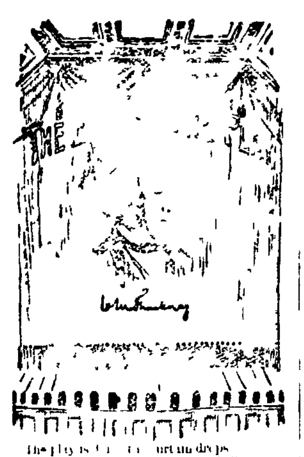
We went out together to plan for the funeral and [illegible] for the father and for the living

'You did a good work when you wrote about these people' he said 'and I thank you for otherwise I should not have known of their existence in time to be of help when they needed it most'

With what shame I remembered my article on religious frauds of which I had been so proud only two days before

From that hour we became warm friends As I learned to know him well I looked back in amazement at my former conclusions in regard to him 'Calamity Parker' indeed! It would have been more fitting had I named him [illegible] Parker His life was a [illegible] unobtrusive and self denying he [illegible] of his abundant sympathy and slender worldly means without reserve Nor was his [illegible] smiling patience and sweetness of spirit [illegible] but the result of years [illegible] discipline which I have never yet begun to attain His habit of [illegible] merely the outward [illegible] spirit—a habit [illegible] among simple people [illegible] For aught I know [illegible] Why should I [illegible] [illegible] the public [illegible] back and sneered [illegible] It was the [illegible] youth ever on [illegible] knows every [illegible] knows nothing I had not [illegible] has his own way [illegible] his rights too Nothing [illegible] I had wicked [illegible] at all

[illegible] the philanthropists of [illegible] to that wretched family [illegible] poverty [illegible] the poor [illegible] we forget how to be [illegible] grow very selfish
GERTRUDE GARRISON



The play is done the curtain drops
Slow falling to the prompter's bell
A moment yet the actor stops
And looks around to say farewell
It is an irksome word and task
And when he's laughed and said his say
He shows as he removes the mask
A face that's anything but gay

One word ere yet the evening ends
Let's close it with a parting rhyme
And pledge a hand to all young friends
As fits the merry Christmastime
On life's wide scene you too have parts
That fate ere long shall bid you play
Good night with honest gentle hearts
A kindly greeting go alway

Good night I'd say the griefs the joys
Just hinted in this mimic page—
The triumphs and defeats of boys
Are but repeated in our age
I'd say your woes were not less keen
Your hopes more vain than those of men
Your pangs or pleasures of fifteen
At forty five played o'er again

I'd say we suffer and we strive
Not less nor more as men than boys
With grizzled beards at forty five
As erst at twelve in corduroys
And if in time of sacred youth
We learned at home to love and pray,
Pray Heaven that early love and truth
May never wholly pass away

And in the world as in the school
I'd say how fate may change and shift—
The prize be sometimes with the fool
The race not always to the swift
The strong may yield the good may fall,
The great man be a vulgar clown
The knave be lifted over all
The kind cast pitilessly down

Who knows the inscrutable design?
Blessed be He who took and gave
Why should your mother Charles not mine,
Be weeping at her darling's grave?
We bow to Heaven that willed it so
That darkly rules the fate of all
That sends the respite or the blow
That's free to give or to recall

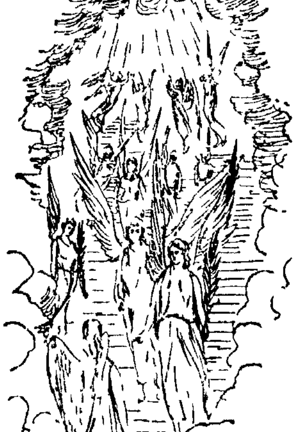
This crowns his feast with wine and wit
Who brought him to that mirth and state?
His betters see below him sit
Or hunger hopeless at the gate
Who bade the mud from Dives' wheel
To spurn the rags of Lazarus?
Come brother in that dust we'll kneel
Confessing Heaven that ruled it thus

So each shall mourn in life's advance
Dear hopes dear friends untimely killed,
Shall grieve for many a forfeit chance
And longing passion unfulfilled
Amen whatever fate be sent
Pray God the heart may kindly glow
Although the head with cares be bent
And whitened with the winter snow

Come wealth or want come good or ill,
Let old and young accept their part,
And bow before the awful will
And bear it with an honest heart
Who misses or who wins the prize
Go lose or conquer as you can,
But if you fail or if you rise
Be each pray God a gentleman

A gentleman or old or young
(Bear kindly with my humble lays)
The sacred chorus first was sung
Upon the first of Christmas days,
The shepherds heard it overhead
The joyful angels raised it then
Glory to Heaven on high it said
And peace on earth to gentle men

My song save this is little worth
I lay the weary pen aside
And wish you health and love and mirth
As fits the solemn Christmastide
As fits the holy Christmas birth
Be this good friends our carol still—
Be peace on earth be peace on earth
To men of gentle will
WILLIAM MAKEPEACE THACKERAY



It is Christmas time
And up and down twixt heaven and earth
In the glorious grief and solemn mirth
The shining angels climb
D M MULOCK

Three Angels on the First Christmas Morning

When God created man He commanded His angels to visit him on earth and guide him in his ways so that he might have a foretaste of the bliss of the life to come But man sought after sensual joys in the place of those in heaven and grown greedy of worldly fruits began to quarrel with his neighbors for the possession of them and the guardian angels wept among themselves But when the strong oppressed the weak and took from them by force the product of their toil Justice rose up sorrowing and leaving earth flew back to heaven And when the weak [illegible] the strong with [illegible] and deceit [illegible] from them by cunning what they [illegible] take by force Truth rose up sorrowing and leaving earth flew back to heaven And when the injured went forth to slay their injurers and crimsoned the plain with their brothers' blood Peace rose up sorrowing and leaving the earth flew back to heaven

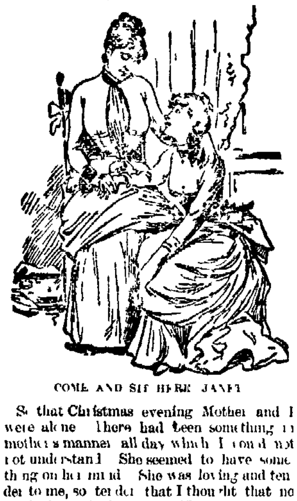
Thus all that [illegible] good [illegible] from the world until Forgiveness the most beautiful of them remained behind And when she heard Anger and Revenge whisper dark deeds in men's ears, and counsel them to repeat that had been done to them, she rose up sorrowing and said

'I will not leave the earth While my sister angels were here I might have rested in my Father's bosom for man needed me not But now that they have fled I will seek to make man listen to my voice telling him that if he cherished forgiveness here so that forgiveness will cherish him hereafter'

At that moment a new and most beautiful star blazed in the heavens It was the star of Bethlehem Pointing to it Forgiveness said 'Behold the light of the world It shines as a promise that I will ever dwell upon the earth' And Peace and Love repenting flew back and have never since left the earth So the loveliest angels of heaven came home to the world on the first Christmas morning

A MOTHER'S XMAS STORY.

Mother and I were sitting by the fire on Christmas night Twenty happy years we had spent together almost alone, for father died before I knew him and we had never been rich and were perhaps a little selfish, for we loved each other so heartily that we could scarcely spare time from each other for the few of our own class whom we came across who being better off than ourselves and holding themselves rather higher seldom seemed to need our help or sympathy We had plenty of poorer neighbors whom we loved and who loved us, but they in no way interfered between us or made the happiness we felt in being together less complete It was only in the last year that a new strong interest had come into our lives and this Harry brought and on New Year's day he and I were to be married From the first moment when he brought me home to mother having picked me up from the muddy pavement, where I had fallen bruised and helpless in the midst of a crowd she seemed to take him into her heart and never from that day did she let one jealous feeling come between her and me Of course, she was to live with us even Harry could not have made a home for me without her, and the only thing she ever hid which for the moment we thought hard was when, a week before she had insisted on Harry's going home for Christmas 'Go to your father and mother, Harry, and leave Janet with me' she said 'You and she hope to be together all your lives give us old folks one more chance of feeling you all our own' And Harry with a look at me to see what I thought has agreed



COME AND SIT HERE JANET

So that Christmas evening Mother and I were alone There had been something in mother's manner all day which I could not not understand She seemed to have something on her mind She was loving and tender to me, so tender that I thought that no one had ever had a mother like mine and yet sometimes when I spoke to her she scarcely heard me But we had a quiet, happy day - we always were happy together—and late in the evening mother sat down in her chair by the fire and said

'Come and sit here, Janet on your little stool, and put your head on my knee I have a story to tell you to night'

"A story, mother dear? Oh, that is lovely like being a child again"

"It is a true story Janet, of your life and mine I have never cared to tell it to you before, but I am not afraid now—my child and I have loved each other all these years—no, I am not afraid'

What could you be afraid of, dear mother?

'You shall hear and judge,' she said, putting her hands on my head, and then she began "When I was young younger than you are I was engaged to be married My home was very unhappy, and when Andrew Western came and asked me to marry him I was ready to revere the ground he trod upon He had been coming backward and forward to our house for some time on business with my father, and I believe that from the very first day he saw my misery We were—and to my remembrance always had been—poor, but if I had been a boy my father would have possessed thousands a year I never wondered that he hated me that my mother mourned and fretted from morning till night, they had brought me up to feel guilty of a crime and I did feel it in my inmost heart It was no marvel that when Andrew asked me to marry him I looked upon him as an angel of deliverance I loved him with an intensity which amazed and frightened him It was in vain he tried to make me sober and reasonable It was in vain he told me that such worship was wrong and foolish that it gave him no happiness while to me it must bring disappointment I couldn't listen and at last I wearied him He said little about it after awhile, but he went away, and once more my life was desolate He said he would come back but he never did He wrote to me often kind tender letters but they chilled my heart and then one day he wrote to tell me that it must be all over between us He told me how he had striven to hold fast by his old love for me but he could not [illegible] the [illegible] passionate devotion filled him with [illegible] He could never return [illegible] [illegible] never endure to [illegible] [illegible] for all he would give it [illegible] when his letter reached me he should be married

'I had [illegible] her lover then Janet and I almost [illegible] but before many weeks were over [illegible] his wife He loved me always but [illegible] I could not [illegible] love him and [illegible] grew reckless and was miserable [illegible] was too ill [illegible] what happened [illegible] strange [illegible] pity, and once every day it seemed [illegible] Andrew came and stood by my bed [illegible] at last I woke to reason again [illegible] Oh how I loved you [illegible] You seemed [illegible] be all the world and you [illegible]

My husband had left me [illegible] I had no need to work and I spent my [illegible] life in waiting over you [illegible] for [illegible] I forgot [illegible] my father's home I forgot my quarrel with my husband [illegible] even my love for Andrew and was [illegible] that death had visited [illegible] mine, and that he was indeed desolate, for his wife had died and left him childless Three happy years passed away almost without a cloud You grew and throve Every day [illegible] delighted eyes to give a new charm [illegible] beauty to my treasure and then in the [illegible] of my joy you fell ill Day and night night and day, I watched by your bed—[illegible] Janet, give me no thanks, it was selfish love It was all in vain that doctor and nurse [illegible] with me I would not leave you It was fever and must run its course they said If you should recover, my strength would be needed when you could know and call for me, but I would not listen, and one night as I sat beside you all the room grew dark and I knew no more When I recovered I could not rise from my bed but I implored with passionate tears to be taken to you Then some one came forward and sat down beside me and took my hand, and I saw that it was Andrew It gave me no surprise to see him there I dimly remembered that I had seemed to see him before when I was ill, and for the moment his presence calmed me

'Mary' he said in his old, quiet tone, 'if you do not do as I tell you you will die and, what is more the child will die too'

I sprang up with a scream and struggled to go to you 'My child, my child' I cried

'She is not your child—she is mine' he said, in that calm [illegible] of truth which had never failed to convince me, and which now pierced like a sword of fire into my heart 'Yes she is mine Listen' His quiet eyes controlled me [illegible] quiet words subdued me 'When you were very ill and dying, they thought, my name was often on your lips and they discovered and sent for me On the same day a child was born to each of us, and my wife and your child died We might have lost [illegible] her if her baby had lived said the doctor so I gave my child to you Can you ever bear what I have borne?'

Oh, Janet my child, his words were healing, and the sorrow that from that hour I tried to bear was taken from me

At first when mother ceased speaking, the world and love, and life seemed to me to be blank and hollow, but in a few moments I rose from my seat and kneeled at her knee.

Oh, mother, dear—my father?

'He died long ago Janet, do you love me?'

Then as we kissed each other I knew that in all our lives of happy love dear mother and I had never been so near together

THE COMPLAINT OF SANTA CLAUS

The snow lies deep on the frozen ground
And the Christmas night is cold
And I shine before the rime so hoar—
Can it be I am growing old?

Long years ago when the Christmas chimes
Made merry the midnight sky
When the carolers call filled houses and hall
And wassail and mirth ran high

When the harlequin mummers reeled and danced
And the great yule log blazed bright
When the walls were green with a summer's sheen
In holly and yew bedight

When the faces of all the young the old
Were brimming with sparkling cheer—
Aye those were the times when Christmas chimes
Were the merriest sounds of the year

I [illegible] my fingers in Jack Frost's teeth
While the snow was wavering down
And the [illegible] hung from my beard I flung—
My beard that was then so brown

And I wrapped myself in my grizzly coat
And lit my pipe with a coal
From Hecla's crest where I stopped to rest
On my way from the Northern Pole

I remember [illegible] they were brisk and gay—
[illegible] it could stand a pull
My pack [illegible] great seemed a feather's weight
No matter how crammed and full

My heart it was stout in those good old days
And I was [illegible] with an inward glee
For I thought of the mirths of a thousand hearts
When the little ones watched for me

So I [illegible] my sweets from far and near
And I [illegible] cunningest toys
[illegible] for the innocent girls
And the [illegible] roguish boys

But the times have sobered and changed since
then
My instrument flags forlorn
My beard is as white as on Christmas night
Of old was the Glaston thorn

Tho my wrinkled up lips still hold the pipe,
No longer the smoke wreath curls
But [illegible] of sights for me
My frolicsome boys and girls

Have grown so knowing they dare to say—
These [illegible] wise and small—
That [illegible] deceive and they don't believe
In a Santa Claus at all

Ah me 'tis a fateful sound to hear
'Tis gall in my wassail cup
The darlings I've spoiled so wrought for and
toiled
The children have given me up

My heart is broken I'll break my pipe
And my tinkling team may go
And bury my sledge on the trackless edge
Of the wastes of the Lapland snow

My useless pack I will fling away
And in Germany's forests hoar
From an icy steep I will plunge leagues deep
And never be heard of more
MARGARET J PRESTON

About this time the newspapers teem with advice to husbands—how to treat wives what to buy for them and to be sure to buy something Immediately following mandatory articles of this kind come suggestions to wives to make home pleasant for husbands during the days of good cheer So much is done for infants that a little gentle reminder to the big married children may not come amiss But it is the editorial mind a safe [illegible] to go to for hints on how to maintain connubial felicity Marry I know not forsooth as Shakespeare's people say when they are nonplussed Every one must work out the problem for himself

[illegible] here with a smile and a [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
For whom [illegible] beneath the evergreen
tree,
A prince of good fellows, and welcome is he